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JUDGE QUIGLEY GRANTS 20 LIQUOR LICENSES; REFUSES 7.

Holds Over Centre Hall and Old Fort.—Refuses Spring Mills and Potters Mills.—Millheim "Wet" Again.

Judge Quigley speedily disposed of the liquor licence applications for Centre county, at license court, Saturday morning, by granting twenty of the applications, refusing seven and holding nine under further consideration.

General remonstrances were presented against the granting of any and all licenses, but no direct charges of violation of the Brooks high license law were made against any of the applicants.

The temperance organizations, however, were represented by J. Kennedy Johnston, who took up each application and argued to the court that license is not a necessity in that particular place, save as a means of making money by the holder thereof. He called special attention to the remonstrance presented by the State College authorities, which was signed by 159 professors, 1273 students and 107 coeds, which he said, ought to be a strong argument in favor of wiping out the liquor traffic in Centre county.

Judge Quigley did not hand down an opinion, but did state that so long as it is the law, he construed it as the court's duty to grant licenses where all the requirements have been met, but that if there is any willful infraction of the law and it is brought properly to the court's attention, he will immediately revoke the license.

Without any further declaration the court then granted licenses to the Bush House, Brockerhoff House, Garman House, Hasg and Brant Houses, Bellefonte; Coal Exchange, Central Hotel, Sheffer House, Passmore House, Farmers Hotel and Potter Hotel, Philipsburg; Mountain House and Washington House, Snow Shoe; and the hotels at Clarence, Millheim, Milesburg, Rebersburg, Cassanova and Sandy Ridge.

Andrew Chambers was granted a wholesale license in Snow Shoe township. Those refused were the Ramsdale House and Continental Hotel, Philipsburg; Potters Mills, Spring Mills, Howard Fowler and S. T. Hepburn, at Snow Shoe.

The hotels held under consideration are those at Centre Hall, Cassanova and Old Fort, and the wholesale applications of John Boyce, Clarence; George F. Lamb, James Black, Harry S. Reel and George Parker. The application for a license by the Philipsburg Brewing Company was also held over.

In granting the licenses Judge Quigley made no special rulings or exacted no pledges aside from his statement that he would expect all licensees to conduct their places according to law.

Froze to Death.

Josephine Delige, a negress residing at Bellefonte, froze to death Saturday night at her home.

Red Barns of Pennsylvania.

The great red barns of Pennsylvania are a Pennsylvania Dutch institution according to L. W. Lighty, farm adviser of the Department of Agriculture. The red barns on many farms have attracted the attention of visitors for years, and recently from Virginia came an inquiry asking whether the barns are covered with a lime wash colored red or what preparation. Mr. Lighty says:

"The red barn is a Pennsylvania Dutch institution although we have no copyright. The Irish and Scotch-Irish white wash or yellow wash their barns and they might use a spray pump to do it but the Pennsylvania Dutchman is as particular about the painting of his barn as you Virginia folks are about ornamenting your drawing room. The red barns are not washed but painted with the best linseed oil and the red paint as Spanish or English red mixed with some red lead. You could much easier find hen's teeth than find a Pennsylvania Dutchman spray red wash on his fine barn.

To spray wash a barn the best thing I know to use is the cold water paint on the market that can be had through the regular channels of the trade. Regular lime whitewash may be colored light red by the addition of English red and strained so it will work through a spray pump. But it cannot be compared to the paint on the red barn of Pennsylvania."

High School Step to College.

A bit of calculating on the part of the registrar at Pennsylvania State College is convincing that the High schools throughout the country are by great odds the largest feeders to that institution. The present freshman class of 756 students is made up of 622 wholly prepared in the High schools and but seventy-six from private preparatory schools. A total of 410 schools were represented.

SPRING MILLS-RISING SPRINGS.

Confusion Caused by Post Office and Rail-Road Station Not Being the Same.—The Remedy.

Besides our neighboring town, Spring Mills, there are two other towns by that name, one in Alleghany county, New York, and the third in Virginia, in the county of Campbell. That would be no handicap, however, but down in Montgomery county on the Pennsylvania railroad, is a railroad station named Spring Mills, and in Lehigh county is another railroad station of the same name on the Lehigh Valley railroad, and this has caused a lot of annoyance, delay and expense to the good people of Spring Mills and surrounding country. Both freight and express, and not a small quantity of it, annually finds its way to Spring Mills, in the eastern part of the state, and is there held for long periods. This is no fault of the railroads, for express and freight is sent to the destination addressed, and so long as Spring Mills remains Spring Mills and its railroad station is designated as Rising Springs, these inconveniences delays and attending expense of necessity must follow.

There is a remedy. Those long associated with that community will hesitate for sentimental reasons to apply an effective remedy—a change of the town's name—yet, when all is considered, would not the benefits to the present and future generations far outweigh sentiment?

Spring Mills is not the only town afflicted with this disease. In our own county we have Oak Hall Station as a postoffice name and Oak Hall the shipping station; Unionville, up the Bald Eagle Valley, carries Unionville as its town and shipping name and Fleming as its post office. The inconveniences of these double designations effect not only the residents in their respective communities, but everyone who does business with them.

Do the people of Spring Mills and surrounding country really want the town name changed to Rising Springs—as fully appropriate to the place as the name Spring Mills—or do they not? These columns are open to any communication on the subject bearing the writer's name. The name will be withheld if desired. Now come along and put up your arguments.

Interesting Letter From Missouri.

Editor Reporter:

Enclosed please find my check for another year's subscription for the Reporter—the paper from home. I cannot see how anyone can be without their paper from home; one little news item in many instances is worth many times the subscription price.

We are having a beautiful fall in Missouri. We seldom have winter weather until Christmas or even later. The cost of living is high here as well as everywhere else. Our factory, the largest plate glass factory in the world, is running full night and day. The wages of the employees have been raised twice since June of this year. This raise, with the steady employment, helps the employee to meet the high cost of living. Our employees are well satisfied and at no time have we been short of labor.

I certainly would enjoy being in camp with my old time hunting party—the Bradfords. It makes me feel good to read in your paper of their being in the lead of all other hunting parties again this year, showing that they are not growing old in the act.

With best wishes to all, I am,

Yours truly,

J. K. HOSTERMAN.

Crystal City, Mo., Dec. 11, 1916.

Must Fumigate Twice a Month.

Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, state commissioner of health and sanitation, has issued a circular letter to the school districts of the state, calling their attention to the fact that the state laws require that every school be fumigated every two weeks. The doctor warns the school officials that he will hold them to a strict observance of the law, having recently received numerous complaints that the law is not generally complied with.

Prominent Union County Citizens Dead.

Hon. J. Gundy Wolfe, of Lewisburg, a prominent citizen of that county, died in a New York hospital. He was a former member of the State legislature, and took an active interest in the Republican political affairs in his county.

Another well-known character in Union county to pass away was Dr. Harry M. Wilson, who practiced his profession in New Berlin since his graduation from Jefferson Medical College in 1877. His age was sixty-two years.

Christmas post cards, mailed postpaid, at 15 cents per dozen.—The Centre Reporter, Centre Hall, Pa.

WEEK OF PRAYER BEGINS IN LOCAL CHURCHES SUNDAY EV'G, DECEMBER 31

Union Meetings of the Churches of Centre Hall.—Ministers Preparing Interesting Subjects.—The Program.

Sunday, December 31 — Lutheran Church
Sermon, "Another Year's Respite"—Rev. Josiah Still.

Monday, January 1 — Presbyterian Church
Subject: Thanksgiving and Humiliation.—Rev. R. R. Jones.

Tuesday, January 2 — Presbyterian Church
Subject: The Church Universal—The "One Body" of which Christ is the Head.—Rev. W. H. Williams.

Wednesday, January 3 — Methodist Church
Subject: Nations and Their Rulers.—Rev. D. S. Kurtz.

Thursday, January 4 — Methodist Church
Subject: Missions Among Moslems and Heathens.—Rev. F. H. Foss.

Friday, January 5 — Evangelical Church
Subject: Families, Schools, Colleges, and the Young.—Rev. Josiah Still.

Saturday, January 6 — Evangelical Church
Subject: Missions at the Home Base and Among the Jews.—Rev. D. S. Kurtz.

Sunday, January 7 — Reformed Church
Sermon, "The Constraint of Christ's Love"—Rev. W. H. Williams.

Services throughout the week at 7:30 o'clock.

It is designed to devote each meeting to prayer, praise, and a sermon.

A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend these services.

Music by a union choir. Books used, Great Revival Hymns, No. 2.

Pray daily for the success of the meeting and for God's blessing upon the community.

An offering will be taken each evening to defray expenses and for the benefit of the American Bible Society.

FARMERS' WEEK PROMISES MANY INTERESTING SUBJECTS.

Annual Event at State College to Begin Wednesday, December 27.—Special Course in Tractors and Gas Engines.

Two or more topics along the lines of general farming will be presented at each session of the annual Farmers' Week to be held at the Pennsylvania State College from December 27 to January 3, inclusive.

The subjects announced cover a broad field, and include soils, soil moisture, reclaiming waste land, cultivation, organic matter, fertilizers, formulas, the use of lime and barn manure. The crops receiving attention are corn, wheat, potatoes, tobacco, alfalfa, red clover, sweet clover, soy beans, Canada peas, and crops for silo, including practice in corn judging. Other topics are: crop improvement, plant breeding, treating corn and potatoes for diseases, the rejuvenation of meadows and pastures, farm management, profits and loses in farming, land tenure, markets and marketing, farm machinery, farm motors, power for the farm, farm engines and automobiles.

Speakers on the Agronomy program include E. O. Anderson, R. A. Andree, P. S. Baker, H. P. Cooper, W. H. Darst, F. D. Gardner, C. F. Noll, R. S. Smith, J. W. White, D. C. Wimer, and E. L. Worthen of the Department of Agronomy; Dr. William Frear, Head of the Experimental Agricultural Chemistry; C. L. Goodling, Superintendent of farms; W. I. Goram, E. K. Hibshman, Nicholas Schmitz, and F. P. Weaver, of the Department of Agricultural Extension; Dr. C. W. Stoddard, Professor of Agricultural Chemistry; Professors Kern and Ortom of the Department of Botany; and C. G. Williams, of the Ohio Experiment Station.

The great demand for information on farm tractors and gasoline engines has prompted the farm mechanics division of the department of agronomy to offer a complete course on these subjects during Farmers' Week. The course has been especially designed by R. A. Andree in charge of the division, to include the care and repair of gasoline engines and the operation and handling of the modern gas tractor. No efforts will be spared to make this course entirely practical.

Another Fire Bug Caught.

Implicated in the fires which have devasted the business section of Philipsburg, William (Toby) Kulp, 40 years of age, who said his home was in Decatur Township, Clearfield county, was committed to Bellefonte jail, to await the next term of court, by 'Squire Warfel. Kulp's bail was fixed in the sum of $2,000.

Kulp recently was released from the Cottage State hospital, where he was confined from October 31 with a broken leg.

It developed at the hearing that Kulp, who comes from a good family, states the Philipsburg Journal, has been a high flier in the realms of crime in that section. Several years ago in an attempt to shoot his father he shot his nephew, Charles Kulp, who as a result, lost an arm. For some reason unexplainable he never was convicted of this crime. Since then he has considered himself immune and when arrested Monday was loud in his threats.

Christmas post cards at the Reporter office.

Letter from the Boys on the Border.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 14, 1916.

We want the folks back home to know how well Uncle Sam treated the Boal Troop on Thanksgiving Day. It was just like a dinner we would expect at home, lacking, of course, in the association of near and dear ones. A total of nine fat turkeys were supplied for our troop, and there was an abundance of the fixins'—corn, mashed potatoes, cranberries, apples, mince pies, celery, coffee, etc. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all, appetites having been sharpened long ahead for the big feed.

A great deal of our time at present is being devoted to practice in handling our machine guns, and some excellent records in marksmanship are being made. On our first day's practice we remained on the field all day, a hot dinner being brought to us on Lieut. Boal's truck. It consisted of the favorite army dish—beans.

In order to accustom our horses to the cactus plants, rocks, etc., rides are frequently made in sets of four. Quite frequently on our trips we encounter a number of burros—the little native donkeys—and we boys have lots of fun with them.

Saturday morning we underwent regimental inspection, following which a general inspection of our tents was made, Lieut. Boal being informed by the major that his troop took the prize for cleanliness and neatness of the squads' respective tents. Compliments of this sort are received quite often by Lieut. Boal.

Saturday afternoon the series of four inoculations for typhus fever came to an end and we hope that by this time we are immune from all the fevers that are wont to attack a peaceful soldiery in a strange land.

WILLIAM BAILEY.

Wireless Station on the Durst Farm.

For the past week or more radiograms have been received at the Samuel Durst farm, a complete wireless station having been put in working order by Mr. Durst's son, Edward and Ray Durst. Daily weather forecasts are received as well as national and international news bulletins.

The principal station heard from is Arlington, near Washington, D. C. The receiving apparatus is located in parlor of the Durst home and the radiograms are received by Ray Durst, who a year ago took an active interest in the erection of a station at the Bellefonte High school, while a student there.

The young men invite their friends to come out to the farm and learn what sort of weather we're going to have the day after to-morrow.

No Paper Next Week.

The time-honored custom of omitting an issue of the Reporter during Christmas week will be observed, therefore the paper you hold in your hands is the last number in the year 1916. The entire office force will thoroughly enjoy this brief respite from the toil connected with publishing a newspaper. The next issue will bear the date of January 4, 1917.

That our friends may have the merriest of Christmases and that the New Year may bring much success and happiness, is our wish.

Supplement With this Issue.

This issue contains a supplement worth while reading, especially by the shopper. You will also find local news matter on both its pages.

DEATHS.

Frank Young, for years one of the best known and highly esteemed residents of Boalsburg, died after a lingering illness of a few years, on December 12th, at his wife's parental home in White City, Kansas, which place they were visiting.

Mr. Young was a son of the late Israel and Mrs. Ellen Leitzell Young and was born near Boalsburg, October 27th, 1880, thus making his age thirty-six years, two months and fifteen days. For many years he was a teacher in the various schools of Harris and College townships but later went to Kansas and there for a time attended The Iuka State Normal School, of Iuka, Kansas, and afterward taught in that state up until the time of his death.

He was a member of the Zion Lutheran church of Boalsburg, also a member and active worker of the Salina Y. M. C. A., of Salina, Kansas.

He was united in marriage May 1st, 1915, to Miss Mildred Lemon of White City, Kansas, by whom he is now survived with his mother, Mrs. Ellen Leitzel Young, of Boalsburg, and the following brothers and sisters: William, of Boalsburg; Mrs. J. J. Straw, of Detroit, Michigan; Charles, of Nelson, Nebraska; Harry and Calvin, of Freeport, Illinois; Mrs. L. F. Roan, of Williamsport; Thomas, of Kingham, Arizona; Mrs. F. W. Russel, of Boalsburg, and Samuel, at home.

Burial was made in White City cemetery, White City, Kansas.

James Huey, aged seventy-six years, a respected farmer who for many years lived at Fillmore, fell dead while on the way from his house to the barn on Monday morning of last week.

Surviving him are his wife and three sons and three daughters, viz: Henry, Tom and Cyrus, all of Buffalo Run; Mrs. Mary Robinson, Orviston; Mrs. Anna Marshall, of Buffalo Run, and Mrs. Samuel Kelley, of South Philipsburg.

C. P. Russell died from the hardening of the arteries at his home in Milesburg. He was aged seventy-nine years, and is survived by his wife and the following children: Mrs. N. E. Shope, of State College; Mrs. Greene Shope, of Mt. Eagle; Mrs. Elizabeth Kline, of Milesburg, and G. S. Russell, of Lock Haven. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Potts, of Blanchard.

Mrs. Harrison Stine, of South Philipsburg, died at the age of fifty-eight years. She was twice married—first to William Shaffer, and twenty-five years ago to Harrison Stine. Her maiden name was Josephine Turner, born at Julian.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Brisbin, wife of Lawrence P. Brisbin, died at her Tyrone home, aged fifty-two years. She was twice married, her first husband having been Owen Senor.

A Tribute.

Mrs. James Spangler (Effemia Fortney) passed to her reward December 11, 1916. The writer was asked to preach the funeral sermon on the morning of December 14th in the Evangelical church at Tusseyville. The Rev. Mr. Foes of the Evangelical church was present and spoke words of comfort to the sorrowing friends and relatives.

For eighteen years the writer was the pastor of Mrs. Spangler, in whom he found a faithful servant of the church. Mrs. Spangler was a woman of more than ordinary gifts of mind and heart. Her grasp of the scripture was surprising in its clearness and extent. She was a staunch believer in the truth as held and taught by her church. Her face was ever an inspiration to me as it would light up under the preaching of the Word of God. She was deeply interested in all the concerns of the church of her love and she gave cheerfully to all its enterprise. She will be missed "because thy seat will be empty."

A mother wields an influence in the home, which is registered in the character of her children. Mrs. Spangler impressed her spirit upon her two children, both of whom are shining witnesses for her Lord and theirs. It is a distinct advantage to be born and reared in a Christian home.

The bereaved husband and children, together with the sisters and brothers of Mrs. Spangler, have the comforting assurance that she is at rest in the Lord. For Mrs. Spangler to live was Christ, to die was gain.

I have felt constrained to weave this little chaplet and place it upon her grave.

W. E. FISCHER,
Shamokin, Pa.

Better begin practicing to write it 1917.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Mrs. Charles D. Decker is ill with pneumonia.

Frank D. Lee, of near Bellafonte, was a business visitor in town one day last week.

Chickenpox is prevalent to a marked degree in Centre Hall. The borough authorities on Monday enforced quarantine.

Christmas entertainments will be held in the Reformed church on Christmas eve and in the Lutheran church on Christmas evening.

Mrs. William Magee and bright little son, Huyett, of Wenonah, New Jersey, were arrivals on Monday at the parental home for over the holiday season.

Postmaster Foster at State College is strongly of the opinion that by spring the work on the new post office building at State College will be commenced.

W. H. Moyer, of Spring Mills, disposed of the carved carcasses of thirty fat hogs in the Lewistown market, last Friday, where he found ready sale for the meat.

John H. Krumbine, the Vintondale postmaster, came to Centre Hall Saturday morning and remained over Sunday. He came here on business relative to the sale of his property in Centre Hall to C. S. Thomas.

Mrs. A. P. Krape and daughter Florence accompanied Mrs. Kate Saunders to Philadelphia, on Tuesday, where the former two will remain for a few weeks with Mrs. Saunder's daughter, Mrs. Raymond J. Miller.

Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26, are the Christmas vacation days in the borough schools. The curtailment of the customary week's vacation to a two-day period is due to the delayed opening of the school term.

Luther Yarger, of Swengle, has been appointed rural mail carrier on route No. 2 out of Millmont, to fill the vacancy caused by the accidental death of Russell Slayman, last July. The appointee will assume his duties on January 2.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bradford accompanied their son, William Bradford, and family, to their home in Phoenixville, on Sunday morning, making the trip in the latter's auto. Mr. and Mrs. Bradford will remain at Phoenixville until spring.

Charles W. Brown, of Bellefonte, is being held under bail for his appearance before the Clinton county court, charged with wife desertion. He married a girl from Flemington in September, since which time he contributed nothing to her support.

Dr. W. E. Fisher, of Shamokin, was the minister in charge at the funeral of Mrs. James B. Spangler, which took place Thursday of last week at her late home near Tusseyville. Mrs. Spangler was an active member in the Lutheran church, Dr. Fisher having been one of her former pastors.

The three thousand dollar barn destroyed by fire owned by Albert Urban was insured for but $750. Neighbors and Philipsburg residents raised a snug sum to help the unfortunate man. This is a strong argument in favor of fire insurance, and should be carried to its full extent by every property owner subject to loss by fire.

The mayor of Lock Haven has issued a proclamation placing a ban on "punch boards" of all description. This traffic, of course, is forbidden by the general laws, but is becoming tolerated to a too large extent in many localities. The man or firm who operate the punch board as well as the one who buys the chances is liable to a penalty.

Robert M. Smith, of Centre Hill, probably killed the last buck of the season in Pennsylvania. It was toward the close of day on Friday, the 15th, and in the last chase being made by the "Militia," the "discarded" bunch of deer chasers of Potters Mills, when Smith sighted horns and laid low a fine deer. It was the seventh kill for this party, which was only a day party. They therefore wrested the laurels from the Bradfords, who looked like sure winners, with six bucks, for 1916.

Domer S. Ishler, within the past ten days, installed Essenkay, the non-puncture tire filler, in cars for the following parties: Rev. R. R. Jones, G. W. Tressler, Henry Tressler, the Reo car of Robert McClellan, and the Grant car of J. H. Ross. That the substance is proving its claims is shown by the large number of car owners who in a comparatively short time have been won over to the new way. Mr. Ishler has taken care of thirty-seven orders for Essenkay in his district in the short time in which he has been engaged in the work.

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Save Pennies—Waste Dollars

¶ Some users of printing save pennies by getting inferior work and lose dollars through lack of advertising value in the work they get. Printers as a rule charge very reasonable prices, for none of them get rich although nearly all of them work hard.

Moral: Give your printing to a good printer and save money.

Our Printing Is Unexcelled

Got Something You Want to Sell?

Most people have a piece of furniture, a farm implement, or something else which they have discarded and which they no longer want.

These things are put in the attic, or stored away in the barn, or left lying about, getting of less and less value each year.

WHY NOT SELL THEM?

Somebody wants those very things which have become of no use to you. Why not try to find that somebody by putting a want advertisement in THIS NEWSPAPER?

TO STANDARDIZE STATE SUPPLIES

Suyers for State Institution Discuss Plans for Central Purchasing Bureau.

Harrisburg.—State hospital superintendent and members of the State Board of Public Charities discussed the propositions of standardization of supplies and a central purchasing bureau for such institutions, with Governor Brumbaugh and members of the State Economy and Efficiency Commission, and committees were named to consider the questions and agree upon uniform needs. Governor Brumbaugh urged co-operation in buying and economical methods, stating that the Department of Agriculture had in mind soil study and plans to aid the farms of State institutions. The governor suggesting standardizing supplies, uniform accounting and closer co-operation between Harrisburg and the institutions. Attorney General Brown advocated the central purchasing bureau, and Counsel Harry S. McDevitt discussed the findings of the commission and urged that needs be studied and anticipated. It was suggested that the superintendents consider the advisability of a co-operative plan of buying and direct purchases in bulk.

Limit For Women 54 Hours In Week.

Attorney General Brown rendered an opinion to William Lauder, secretary of the State Industrial Board, in which he rules that the word week in the women's employment act does mean a calendar week, but that women can not be employed in establishments under the employment acts more than fifty-four hours in seven consecutive days. The question was submitted to the Industrial Board by representatives of various mercantile associations. The decision is of much importance to stores as it has direct bearing on holiday business hours.

In his opinion Mr. Brown says:

"The three days on which a female employe may be employed two hours overtime during a week in which a holiday occurs and is observed by an establishment employing her, are not confined to the calendar week in which the holiday comes, but may be any three days of the seven consecutive days within which such holiday falls, but that much overtime employment shall not operate to cause any such employe to work more than fifty-four hours within any seven consecutive days.

"Consequently, in effect, although the three days of overtime employment may come in the calendar week preceding the one in which a holiday occurs if they be within seven days of such holiday, yet the total hours of employment throughout the entire calendar week in which the overtime work in such case is performed can not lawfully exceed fifty-four."

State Senate Paintings.

The five mural decorations painted for the State Senate chamber by Miss Violet Oakley, the Philadelphia artist, will be placed in position this week. Miss Oakley has completed the first of the series at Philadelphia and will have a view of them on Thursday. They will be sent here on Tuesday and immediately hung. The paintings, which represent men and incidents in Pennsylvania history, are to be ready when the Senate meets. Four others will be placed next Summer. They are partially completed. The next Legislature will make provision for the series of decorations representing the development of law from oral tradition to the code which Miss Oakley will paint for the Supreme Court chamber. It is probable that something will also be done regarding decorations for the north corridor of the Capitol.

Award To Widow Is Upheld.

The State Workmen's Compensation Board in an opinion by Chairman Mackey has upheld Referee Klauder, of Philadelphia, in making an award to Grace A. Keller in a compensation claim for the death of her husband, an employe of the Aubrey Ice and Coal Company, Philadelphia. The man died from illness which it was claimed was caused by an injury and the opinion deals with the admissibility of evidence in compensation cases. The widow has five children under ten years of age and her husband earned $5 a week.

Third As Potato Producer.

Figures issued by the State Department of Agriculture Bureau of Statistics show Pennsylvania jumped from sixth to third place as a producer of potatoes this year, being exceeded only by Maine and New York. It stands second as an apple growing State.

Damage to Pine Trees Reported.

Serious damage to white pine trees throughout the State is reported by the State Zoologist and experts are being sent out to the various State reserves to head off the dangers. The work is being handled in conjunction with Government men.

Stock Transfer Nets $24,000.

The State's receipts from its stock transfer tax amounted to $24,354.18 during the month of November, according to the statement made at the State Treasury. This is the highest sum received in any one month.

Dr. Walton Reappointed.

Dr I. L. Walton, of Williamsport, was reappointed a member of the State Pharmeceutical Examining Board.

WILSON PROGRAM WISE

PROTECTION AGAINST RAILWAY STRIKES NEEDED.

American People Will Approve His Plan for Mediation and Control, Says the Chicago Journal.

President Wilson takes occasion in his address to congratulate the Sixty-fourth congress on its record of "rare serviceableness and distinction." He urges the prompt passage of the corrupt practices act and of the amendments to the constitution of Porto Rico. But his main theme is the need of completing the railway strike program. The elements of that program yet to be enacted into law are:

The enlargement and reorganization of the interstate commerce commission, to fit it for the enormously increased duties thrown upon it.

The authorization of the president to take over any railroad or portion of railroad needed for military use and to draft the employees of such road to operate the same.

"All amendment of the existing federal statute which provides for the mediation, conciliation and arbitration of such controversies as the present by adding to it a provision that, in case the methods of accommodation now provided for should fail, a full public investigation of the merits of every such dispute shall be instituted and completed before a strike or lockout may lawfully be attempted."

It is on this last proposition that the fight will come, if there is one, but President Wilson states the case for the proposed law in convincing fashion:

"To pass a law which forbade or prevented the individual workman to leave his work before receiving the approval of society in doing so would be to adopt a new principle into our jurisprudence which I take it for granted we are not prepared to introduce. But the proposal that the railways of the country shall not be stopped or interrupted by the concerted action of organized bodies of men until a public investigation shall have been instituted which shall make the whole question at issue plain for the judgment of the opinion of the nation is not to propose such principle. It is based upon the very different principle that the concerted action of powerful bodies of men shall not be permitted to stop the industrial processes of the nation, at any rate before the nation shall have had an opportunity to acquaint itself with the merits of the case as between employee and employer, time to form its opinion upon an impartial statement of the merits, and opportunity to consider all practicable means of conciliation and arbitration. I can see nothing in that proposition but the justifiable safeguarding by society of the necessary processes of its very life."

The Journal believes that the view stated by the president will be taken by an immense majority of the American people. The right of the country to be protected from sudden and perhaps needless industrial wars is considerably more sacred than the right of any group of workers or employers to declare a strike or lockout on any special day.—Chicago Journal.

Sectionalism Dead, Says James.

Senator Ollie M. James of Kentucky sees the burial of sectionalism in the re-election of President Wilson. "The victory of Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the death of sectionalism as a political issue in this country," said Senator James. "Never again will the people of America be stirred by hates and passions of fifty years ago resurrected by political partisans for campaign effect. That old stuff won't go any more in this reunited country, as is shown conclusively in the defeat of Mr. Hughes. Never again will partisans like Senator Lodge and Mr. Hughes be able to make sectionalism a rallying cry in a presidential campaign. Maine, where Mr. Hughes first sprang sectionalism, President Wilson missed carrying by only a few thousand votes, and in Senator Lodge's state the president made a most remarkable showing. The victory of President Wilson conveys a warning to those who seek to stir up the old strife and bitterness for the sake of promoting the cause of an aspirant to a political office. In the virile West where there is a wholesome respect for the best standards of Americanism and of an America one and united, the appeals to sentiments of sectionalism were utterly empty and futile. Even in the East there was but a feeble response in only a few sections to the appeals of those who would revamp sectionalism for party profit. Thank heavens, the election of Woodrow Wilson forever banishes the ghosts of sectionalism."

Safe Bet.

The only consolation for a Republican just now is to predict that catastrophe will follow the ending of the European war.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Don't Delay Reform Program.

The executive and his cabinet are certainly aware of the political conditions which call for the adoption of a complete program of Democratic reform measures between December 4, 1916, and March 4, 1917. It will not be the part of prudence to delay such a program in the face of possible opposition in the next congress.

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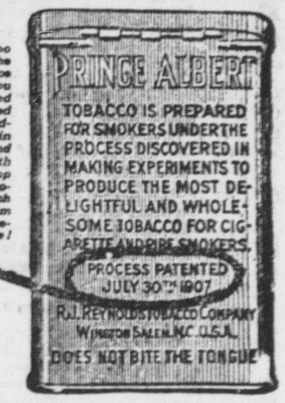
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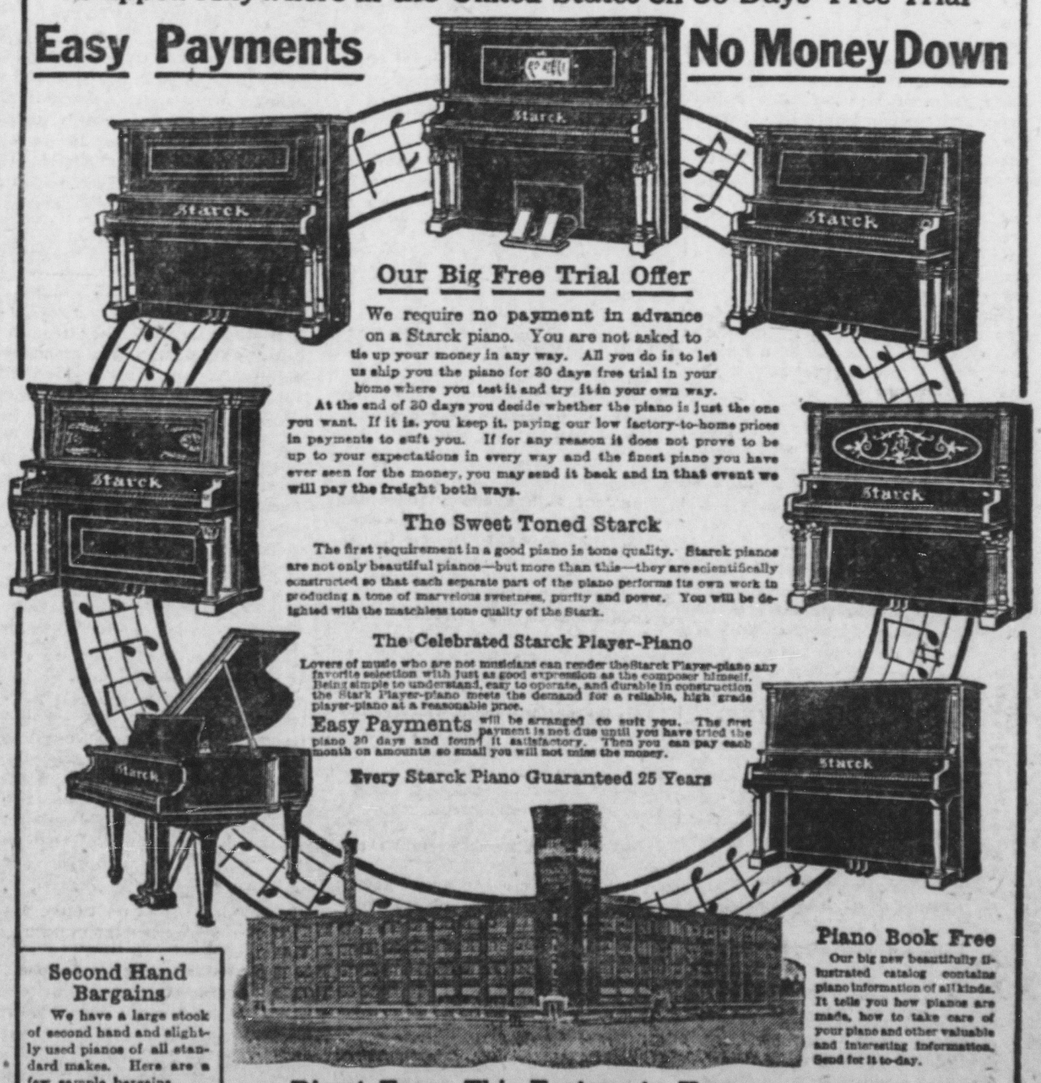

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WHERE BOTH SIDES NOW CTAND.

What They Have To Show After Two Years Of Hostilities and Millions Of Lives Sacrificed.

Germany's move for peace comes just two years and 133 days after she declared war on Russia and two years and 129 days after England declared war on Germany.

German Territory Hcld by the Allies — The western edge of Alsace-Lorraine.

Austro-Hungarian Territory Captured by the Allies—About half of Galicia and all of Bukowina and the southern fringe of Trentino as well as the western border of the Istrian Peninsula, north of the city of Trieste.

Turkish Territory Captured by the Allies—All of Northeastern Armenia and part of Mesopotamia.

Bulgaria Territory Taken by the Allies—None.

Entente Territory Occupied by the German Allies—Northeastern France, practically all of Belgium, Poland and Lithuania, more than half of Roumania, all of Servia and Montenegro and nearly all of Albania, as well as part of Persia and Egypt. Some of Greek Macedonia is occupied by the German-Bulgarian forces, although Greece is not in a state of war.

Germany has lost all her overseas colonies.

Berlin.—Peace proposals have been made by Germany and her allies, Austro-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria, to Great Britain and her allies, France, Russia, Italy, Portugal, Serbia and Roumania.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg announced to the Reichstag that Germany, together with her allies, "conscious of their responsibility before God, before their own nations, before humanity," had proposed to the hostile powers to enter on peace negotiations.

The proposals, which express the purpose of the Central Powers "to enter forthwith on peace negotiations with a view to lasting peace," are contained in identical notes from Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria to the representatives of the neutral powers protecting the interests of the Teutonic Allies in hostile countries. These diplomatists—in the case of Germany the representatives of the United States, Spain and Switzerland—are asked to bring the note to the attention of the nations at war with the Central Powers. The note has also been transmitted to the Vatican and all neutral nations.

Terms Not Given.

No terms are mentioned in the proposal or the note to the allied powers.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg before delivering a remarkable speech in the Reichstag and reading the portentious note, received, one after another, the representatives of the United States, Spain and Switzerland and handed each a copy of the note. Before the Chancellor entered the Reichstag the building was surrounded by an enormous crowd.

THE TEUTONS' PEACE NOTE.

Prepared To Continue War Until Bitter End, But Desirous To Avoid Further Bloodshed.

Berlin, December 12.—Following is the text of the note addressed by Germany and her allies to the hostile governments:

"The most terrific war ever experienced in history has been raging for the last two years and a half over a large part of the world—a catastrophe which thousands of years of common civilization was unable to prevent, and which injures the most precious achievements of humanity.

"Our aims are not to shatter nor annihilate our adversaries.

"In spite of our consciousness of our military and economic strength and our readiness to continue the war (which has been forced upon us) until the bitter end, if necessary, at the same time prompted by the desire to avoid further bloodshed and make an end to the atrocities of war, the four allied powers propose to enter forthwith into peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring forward for such negotiations and which have for their object a guarantee of the existence of the honor and liberty of evolution for their nations are, according to their firm belief, an appropriate basis for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The four allied powers have been obliged to take up arms to defend justice and the liberty of national evolution. The glorious deeds of our armies have in no way altered their purpose. We always maintained the firm belief that our own rights and justified claims in no way control the rights of these nations.

"The spiritual and material progress which were the pride of Europe at the beginning of the twentieth century are threatened with ruin. Germany and her allies, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, gave proof of their unconquerable strength in this struggle.

"They gained gigantic advantages over adversaries superior in number and war material. Our lines stand unshaken against ever repeated attempts made by armies.

"The last attack in the Balkans has been rapidly and victoriously overcome. The most recent events have demonstrated that further continuance of the war will not result in breaking the resistance of our forces and the whole situation with regard to our troops justifies our expectation of further success.

"If in spite of this offer of peace and reconciliation the struggle should go on, the four allied powers are resolved to continue to a victorious end, but they disclaim responsibility for this before humanity and history. The imperial government through the good offices of your excellency, ask the government (here is inserted the name of the neutral power addressed in each instance) to bring this communication to the knowledge of the government of (here is inserted the name of the belligerent)."

ENTENTE WILL DISCUSS NOTE

Britain Disposed To Keep On Fighting Not Likely Now To Make Terms Germany Would Accept.

London.—Peace is a step nearer, but still far off.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech before the Reichstag is no surprise to British officialdom. It has met with a cold and unresponsive reception here, however, for no matter how war-weary the people are, they are in no frame of mind to accept peace now.

Hollweg Waited Too Long.

Hollweg has delayed too long. He should have spoken before the political crisis in the allied capitals. Now the people interpret it as a request for and not an offer of peace.

Before the Allies can reply they must hold a joint conference. This undoubtedly will be done immediately. The reply indubitably will contain terms which Germany will not be likely to meet, with the war map in its present condition. Premier Lloyd-George probably will give the official announcement of the British attitude in Parliament. His present views are well known, and it is safe to assume that they will govern the nature of the reply.

WILSON EAGER TO PUSH PEACE

The President Will Await the Formal German Offer and Feel the English Pulse Before Taking Chances Of a Snub.

President Wilson may gladden the whole Christian world with a message of peace which will make this Christmas memorable in history. It is intimated in a quarter close to the President that he is giving the most earnest consideration to the form in which he will present to the allied powers the proposal of Germany and her allies for a discussion of terms of peace.

This intimation—and it was a strong intimation—gave rise to the impression that the President in presenting the German communication to the Entente Powers, might go much farther than necessity requires; that is, he might not merely content himself with transmitting Germany's proposal to the Entente without comment, but might accompany it with a note in which he would point out to Great Britain, France, Russia, Italy and the other governments allied with them that the United States was deeply interested in the German effort for peace and request those to whom the communication was addressed to give it their most careful consideration.

TELEGRAPH TICKS.

Representative Lewis, of Maryland, author of the Parcel Post Law, introduced a bill in the House proposing government ownership of the public telephone system in the capital.

The Indian Appropriation Bill, carrying approximately $9,000,000, first of the annual supply measures, was passed by the House without a roll-call.

John McVickar, 73 years old, once president of the International Typographical Union and formerly editor of the Detroit News, died in Chicago.

Thirty-seven produce merchants were convicted in New York of having sold cold-storage eggs as fresh eggs.

PARIS DERIDES TEUTONS' MOVE

Regards Peace Overtures as Sign of Weakening.

PRESS SAYS, "CLUMSY TRAP"

Belief Is Expressed That Proposal Is An Attempt To Create Dissension Among Allies.

Paris.—The offer of peace of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg is received with a chorus of derision in the French press. The newspapers are unanimous that it is an admission that the situation is getting critical in Germany and that the Chancellor wants a way out before it is too late. His move is considered to have the additional advantage that, in the event of its failing, it will enable him to throw the blame for the continuation of the war on the Allies, which he hopes will have a moral effect on Germany and the neutral nations.

The French Government has as yet received no official notice of Germany's peace note to neutrals, nor has the American Embassy received the text of the note from Washington for transmission to the Foreign Office. If a reply is made to the German note it will be only after consultation with the allies of France, and such conversations would require considerable time. Inquiry in responsible quarters elicited the opinion that Germany's suggestion is a maneuver designed first, for effect at home; second, to impress neutrals; third, as a test of public opinion in belligerent countries, with the chance of some reaction there. Germany's sugestion is rejected in authoritative quarters, where it is considered to be a repetition in more concrete form of the peace discussions originating in Berlin from time to time in the last 15 months.

WHAT THE GERMAN TERMS MAY BE.

Evacuation Of Belgium, But the Possession Of Alsace and Lorraine.

Washington, December 12.—Recent dispatches to the German Embassy, covering a wide range of subjects, indicate a belief that the general terms might be in substance as follows:

A restoration of the status quo existing before the war. This includes the evacuation of Belgium and the restoration of the occupied portions of northern France with the exception of Alsace and Lorraine.

No authorized expression was obtainable from the embassy as to whether conditions would be attached to the restoration of Belgium and French territory, but it was understood that the German idea was to make provision for the future neutrality of Belgium and probably propose defortification, particularly of the city of Antwerp.

It was also understood that no conditions amounting to economic control of the mineral lands of northern France would likely be asked.

All Germany's lost colonies she expects to be returned.

Her possessions in the Pacific, however, are not a subject of great concern and the Berlin government is understood to be ready to relinquish the claim on Kiao-Chau.

The security of Turkey in possession of Constantinople probably would be insisted upon by the Central Powers, as well as the restoration of Albania.

The establishment of independent kingdoms in Lithuania and Poland would be one of the factors in the German proposal, although that part of Poland possessed by Germany at the outbreak of the war would not be included.

What adjustment would be made to cover the Trentino region between Austria and Italy, or any provisions affecting Egypt, the Suez Canal, Mesopotamia, or the gateways of control to the Indian Empire are not made clear in German quarters here.

The Balkan situation is considered so delicate it would have to be untangled in the peace conference.

SENATE ELECTS SAULSBURY.

Receives 41 Votes to 22 for Gallinger and 5 for Clapp.

Washington.—Senator Willard Saulsbury, Democrat, of Delaware, was elected President pro tempore of the Senate receiving 41 votes to 11 for Senator Gallinger, Republican, and five for Senator Clapp, of Minnesota, the candidate of the Progressive-Republicans.

WANTS U. S. MILL AND BAKERY.

North Dakotan Would Demonstrate Real Cost Of Making Bread.

Washington.—Erection of a Government flour and bakery in the capital to demonstrate the real cost of making bread is proposed in a bill introduced by representative Young, of North Dakota.

A CALL FOR TOMORROW

GRACIOUS I THOUGHT YOU WERE IN BED THIS LONG TIME
SAY MA WILL YOU WAKE ME UP EARLY TO-MORROW MORNING? I'M GOING TO SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH BEANIE WHAT SHA GOT THERE?

PROHIBITION NOW BEFORE CONGRESS

National Amendment Ordered Favorably Reported.

ACTION WAS NOT EXPECTED

Sheppard Bill Prohibiting Manufacture and Sale Of Liquor In the District Of Columbia Now the Unfinished Business.

Washington.—Nation-wide prohibition took a long stride toward congressional consideration when the House Judiciary Committee unexpectedly voted to recommend adoption of the resolution to submit a constitutional amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of liquor for beverage purposes in the United States. Even the most enthusiastic champions of the amendment had not expected favorable action so soon from the committee, which at the last session voted to postpone its consideration indefinitly.

How far the resolution will progress through the various legislative stages of Congress at this session is problematical, but administration leaders doubt that it will reach the Senate in time for action at this session. Prohibition advocates are jubilant over the action of the committee, however, and predict ultimate adoption of the resolution and reference of the amendment to the legislatures of the various states at a much earlier date than they ever before had hoped for. A two-thirds majority in both houses is required.

Coincident with the committee's action on the amendment, the prohibition issue was brought directly to the attention of the Senate when the Sheppard bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor in the District of Columbia became the unfinished business to be kept before the Senate until disposed of. As an amendment to this bill Senator Underwood had proposed a referendum to the male voters of the District. Senator Kern, of Indiana, has added a proposal that women also should participate in the referendum.

Sentiment in the Senate for and against the referendum appears to be closely divided, with a vote on the subject expected within a day or two.

Discussion of the Sheppard bill afforded opportunity for comment on the proposed amendment, several senators, among them Sheppard, Vardaman and Owen, predicting triumph for the cause of nation-wide prohibition in the near future.

Hardly anyone doubted that prohibition will be a dominent legislative issue before the new Sixty-fifth Congress if the constitutional amendment does not reach a vote this winter. In the House before the amendment can be taken up for consideration a special rule must be adopted giving it right of way. Representative Webb, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, will ask for such a rule early in January and endeavor to press the resolution to an early vote.

C. B. SNYDER DEAD.

Former Pennsylvania Newspaper Man Dies in Connecticut.

Greenwich, Ct.—Charles B. Snyder, a former newspaper owner in Pennsylvania and more recently up to two years ago business manager of the Graphic here, died at the age of 65. He was at one time owner of the Berwick (Pa.) Independent and later of the Wilkes-Barre Record and the Wilkes-Barre Times-Leader.

WILL BOYCOTT BUTTER.

New York Housewives Plan Three-Week Campaign.

New York.—A boycott against butter will be started in this city Wednesday, it was announced by Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures, and secretary of the mayor's committee on food supply. Housewives will be asked to economize in the use of the product, it was stated, instead of being urged not to buy it at all.

A VIOLATION OF GERMANY'S PLEDGE

Sinking of Marina Violation of Promises to U. S.

FACTS IN CASE SENT BERLIN

State Department To Give German Foreign Office Chance To Furnish Further Evidence Before Taking Next Step.

Washington, D. C.—Information assembled at the State Department and believed by some officials to present a clear-cut violation of German pledges in the sinking of the British steamer Marina with the loss of six American lives has been forwarded to Berlin for submission to the German Foreign Office.

It was announced at the department that the evidence had been sent as a matter of courtesy, to allow the Imperial Government to offer any other facts it may have before the United States takes its next step. Officials indicated also that any move by this Government might be delayed until complete information concerning the British liner Arabia, for which Great Britain has been asked, could be sent to Berlin.

In response to inquiries, Germany has admitted the torpedoing without warning of both the Marina and Arabia, stating that her submarine commanders took them for transports and asking the United States to furnish any evidence it might have to the contrary. In the case of the Arabia, Great Britain has been requested to furnish official data to establish whether the Peninsular and Oriental liner was in Government service, although all information now at hand indicates that when sent down she was passing through the Mediterranean on a regular voyage with passengers and freight.

As to the Marina, officials regard the case as complete. According to the evidence, while carrying a cargo of horses and other freight she was torpedoed and sunk without warning 100 miles from shore in a high sea, with no provision for the safety of those on board. Many horse tenders, including six Americans, were lost. Investigation has developed, it is said, that the ship had not been under charter or requisition by the British Government at any time during the war, but had transported horses at so much per head for the Allies.

It is generally believed that when President Wilson and Secretary Lansing are ready to act, the next step will take the form of a communication to clear up any doubt that may exist at Berlin as to the interpretation given by the American Government to the German pledges given after the attack on the Sussex.

As in the Sussex catastrophe, officials here point out, the Marina and Arabia cases have demonstrated the menace to innocent neutral lives in the practice frequently followed by German submarine commanders of attempting to ascertain the character of a ship by periscope observations. The United States has demanded that the character of a vessel be determined beyond doubt before an attack is made that endangers the lives of its citizens and contends that this can be done practically only by actual visit and search.

$1,000,000 FIRE KILLS EIGHT.

Huge Quaker Oats Plant In Ontario Destroyed By Explosion.

Petersboro, Ont.—An explosion and fire destroyed the Quaker Oats buildings here with an estimated loss of eight lives and injuries to ten other persons, all employes, and with property damage amounting to about $1,000,000. It is supposed that the explosion occurred in the dry room and that it was caused by spontaneous combustion.

STATE NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

The Latest Gleanings From All Over the State.

TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Tobacco Prices Highest.

Lancaster.—Tobacco prices are the highest ever known, according to many veteran growers who attended a meeting of the Lancaster County Tobacco Growers' Association here. The present prices are twenty cents for wrappers, ten cents for fillers and five cents for scrap. It was reported that the Lancaster County crop will average from 1200 to 1500 pounds wrappers and about 200 pounds fillers to the acre. The crop is the largest in years. According to growers, the tobacco acreage in the county will be increased fifty per cent. the coming year.

Rolls Of Steel Mill Kill Man.

South Bethlehem. — Caught on a stretcher block on a spindle which drives the heavy rolls of the eighteen-inch mill in the new merchant mills of the Bethlehem Steel Company, Byron L. Pierce, aged twenty-six, was crushed to death. He was employed as a guide setter. How the accident happened is unknown, as no one was a witness to it. It is presumed, however, that young Pierce's clothing became caught as he was passing the rolls, which drew him into the machinery. His body was found by Donald Sinclair, foreman in the mill.

Three In Guardhouse For "Revolt."

Harrisburg.—Telegrams to the Harrisburg newspapers from Colonel Maurice E. Finney, commanding the Eighth Regiment, near El Paso, declares the "I Want to Go Home" demonstrations in no way approached a revolt and were merely "minor infractions of discipline." Colonel Finney declares only three and not fifty men were placed in the guardhouse, and that the only punishment meted out to the men of Company D, this city, was an order compelling them to remain in their company street for forty-eight hours.

Republic Barn Fire Loss $12,000.

Bethlehem.—A loss of $12,000 was caused by a fire of unknown origin, which destroyed the barn of the Carter Junior Republic, at Reddington. The Republic was founded, and is supported by Mrs. William T. Carter, of Philadelphia. Nine horses and ten head of cattle were rescued, but everything else in the barn was destroyed, including 600 bushels of potatoes, fifty tons of hay, alfalfa and straw, and the winter supply of oats.

Didn't Know Gun Was Loaded.

Shamokin. — Florence Covalskie, twelve years old, was entering the home of John R. Brown to study school lessons with one of his daughters, when Harry Brown, six years old, alleging he did not know the weapon was loaded, shot her with a small rifle, the bullet entering her neck and lodging near the ear. The victim was rushed in a critical condition to the State Hospital.

Limestone Workers Get Increase.

Johnstown.—A wage increase of ten per cent. has been granted employes of various limestone quarries in this district, according to an announcement just made. About 1500 workers are affected, including those of the United States Steel Corporation. Under the new schedule laborers will receive $2.50 a day, carpenters, $2.55, and mechanics, $3.75.

Coatesville Trolley Approved.

Harrisburg. — The Public Service Commission has approved the application for charter papers for the Coatesville Trolley Company, which will run a line in the city of Coatesville and in East Fallowfield and Valley Townships. The applicants are H. I. Schotter, J. V. Pennegar, C. F. Pumpton, H. G. Rambo and W. J. Elliott.

Explosion Injures Two Miners.

Mt. Carmel.—As Henry Briby and John Rix were about to descend from a breast at the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company's Reliance Colliery, they were blown to the bottom of a gangway by a terrific explosion of gas, both being badly burned.

Revokes Auto License.

Harrisburg.—State Highway Commissioner Black revoked the motor vehicle license held by John L. McConnell, of Millersburg, who was convicted in the Dauphin County courts on November 27, of having operated a motor vehicle while intoxicated. He was fined $100 and costs.

Two Men Killed When Roof Falls.

Wilkes-Barre. — George Richards, aged forty-eight, and Bernard Ewil, aged thirty-five, miners, were caught under a fall of rock and coal in the Woodward mine of the D. L. & W. Company, at Edwardsville, and both were killed. The men were in their chamber when the roof gave way.

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CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Reformed—Centre Hall morning; Tusseyville, afternoon.

Lutheran—Union, morning; Georges Valley, afternoon; Centre Hall, evening.

Methodist—Sprucetown, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon; Spring Mills, evening.

Presbyterian—Centre Hall, morning; Milesburg, evening. Rev. Josiah Still will preach.

DEER SEASON AT A CLOSE;
'TWAS A RECORD BREAKER

Snyder Party, Near Coburn, Take the Lead With 8 Deer and 1 Bear.—"Ragged Butt" Militia of Potters Mills a Close Second With 7 Deer.

The number of deer killed in Centre county during the two weeks' season which came to a close last Friday, is estimated at close to 200. No less than a dozen bears were also killed. The only section from which thoroly accurate reports have come is from the lower end of the county, over which Forester Charles R. Meek kept a watchful eye during the deer season.

The following is a list of the clubs that were successful in killing deer or bear, the location of the camp and the number killed. Of course no club killed a half a deer but often when a drive was made two parties would conflict on the drive, hence when the deer was killed the parties would divide the deer, each taking half, the head and hide going to the successful shot. This accounts for the half deer counted below.

	Deer	Bear
Markle & Lee Club in Little Sugar Valley	2	
Heckla Park Club in Little Sugar Valley	2	
The Brown Party at Crader's (Spring Mills)	2	
The Penn Hall Party at Ripka's	3	
Frederick Sholter, Weikert	1	
Edward Sholter, Weikert	1	
John Barnett, Weikert	1	
Valentine Camp, near Lindale	3	
C. S. Catherman Party, Pine Ridge, Weikert	5	
Jacob Lamy, Camp Thomas	1	
Milton Camp, Weikert	2	
Pursely Camp, Bear Hollow	1	
Mifflinburg Camp, Bear Hollow	1	1
Woodward Gun Club, Seven Mile Narrows	2	
Woodward Volunteers, Woodward	2	
Paul Stover Party, Fox Gap	1	
Millheim Gun Club, Pine Hollow	2	1
Northumberland Club, Pine Creek	0	2
Laureiton Party, Winkleblech Fields near Woodward	3	
Rebersburg Party, 14 Mile Narrows, near Livonia	6	
Schreckengast Party, 14 Mile Narrows, Schrade Place	2	1
Stover Party, Stover Hotel, Livonia	3	
Albright Party, Half Way House, 14 Mile Narrows	2	
Eidelman Party, Half Way Run, 14 Mile Narrows	1	
Hayes Road Party, Hayes Road, Livonia	2	1
Sand Bridge Party, at Sand Bridge, 14 Mile Narrows	2	
Reife Party, Panther Run, Livonia	2	
Aikey Party, Hook, Livonia	1	
Westmoreland County Club, Little Sugar Valley	1	
Schuylkillhaven Party, Poe Valley, at Hen. Lingles	1	
Snyder Party, High Valley	8	1
Rote-Wingard Party, Paddy Mt.	5½	
A stranger from Northumberland	½	
Greenbriar Party, Pine Swamp	4½	
Irvin Kern Party, Coburn	1½	
Frank Kerstetter Party, First Tunnel	1	
Oscar Wolfe Party, Greenbriar	1	
Oscar Auman Party, Spruce	1	
And. Vonada Party, Thick Mt.	1	
Burt Rowe Party, Ingleby	3	
Noah Lingle Party, Greenbriar	1	
Lancaster Party, at Eisenhuth's in High Valley	4	
Altoona Party, High Valley	1	
Catawissa Party, Junction in Poe Valley	1	
Schuylkillhaven Party at F. Kerstetter's Decker Valley	1	

A total of thirty-eight bucks were slain in Forester W. E. Montgomery's bailiwick, which is ten more than the number killed last year in the same territory. First honors for this season go to the "Militia," a party of day-hunters from Potters Mills and vicinity, seven fine bucks having fallen as victims of their unerring aim. A noteworthy fact in this connection is that in each case the deer slain was the first one ever obtained by the hunter to whom the credit is due.

	Deer
Ragged Butt Militia, Potters Mills	7
The Sweetwood Party at the (Poe Valley)	1
Decker Party, Decker Valley	2
Slacks, of Centre Hall, in Stone Creek Kettle	4
Howard Party, near Sinking Creek	1
Horner Party of Pleasant Gap, near Stoner's fields	2
Bradford's, of Centre Hall, near Geary's	6
Colyer Party, at Geary's	2
Zion Party, near the Crowfield	1
Regulars of Potters Mills, near Garrity's	2
Yeagertown Party, of the Narrows	3
Schuylkillhaven, at Krader's	3
Bellefonte Party, in Treaster's Kettle	2
Potteville Party, at Nevel's	1
Penn Hall Party, at Ripka's	1

Unofficial reports, gathered as best as possible, show that about thirty deer and five bears were taken from the mountains at the upper end of the valley, principally about Boalsburg and Pine Grove Mills.

Fire Near Potters Mills.

Monday evening the abandoned dwelling house at the old Harper place, in the gap a mile above Potters Mills, was totally destroyed by fire, together with the outbuildings. Two tramps were seen that day heading in the direction of the old place and it is presumed they were the cause of the fire. The property is said to have been owned by W. G. Runkle, of Bellefonte.

Progress Grange will meet Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

LOCALS.

Messrs. C. M. Arney, O. F. Funk, and Elmer Runkle, bagged two grey foxes on Nittany mountain, Monday.

The Durst home in Aaronsburg was sold to Durbin Musser, who will occupy it next spring.

D. J. Meyer was confined to the house for the past week threatened with pneumonia. He has fully recovered, however.

To our friends and customers we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—H. F. ROSSMAN, Spring Mills, Pa.

Sumner Packer, son of Prof. and Mrs. L. O. Packer, who has been attending school at Pittsburgh, is home for the Christmas vacation.

The first sleighing of the season with its accompanying jingle of bells was had on Friday. About four inches of snow made the slipping good.

The local camp P. O. S. of A. held lengthy session last Thursday evening at which time by-laws for the camp were formally adopted; nomination for new officers were also made at the meeting.

Mail carrier Wagner, on Friday, made the trip on route No. 2 from Centre Hall in a cutter. Snow banks of considerable size were encountered, and sledding was reported fair on the entire route.

The financial statement of the receipts and expenditures of Potter township was prepared by auditors J. E. Rishel, J. B. Spangler and John H. Runkle, a short time ago, and is printed in full in this issue.

The state industrial board decided that the 54-hours work per week did not apply to a calendar week, but meant 54 hours for seven consecutive days. So there you have it, fifty-four hours work and no more, in any seven consecutive days.

Proceedings are underway to condemn that portion of the Lewistown and Kishacoquillas Valley turnpike lying between Reedsville and Lewistown. When this is done, there will be no hold-up gates between Bellefonte and Lewistown.

S. S. Horner and Harold Kerstetter, came in from the middle west states last week to put in a few days toward the close of deer season. The former is a son of George Horner, and for the past year has been located at Ridott, Illinois. The latter is a son of Ammon Kerstetter and has been operating an electric crane at Fort Wayne, Indiana. Both are visiting their parents at Pleasant Gap.

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Subjects on Horticulture for Farmers Week at State College.

Some of the most eminent authorities in horticulture will present the horticultural program during Farmers' Week at the Pennsylvania State College. Here are some of the subjects to be covered: Problems in the planting of orchards, the propagation of fruits, management of a comercial apple orchard, methods of rejuvenating an old orchard, peach growing the vineyard, apple grading and packing, spraying, methods of marketing fruit, nursery stock, problems of the eastern fruit grower, cultural methods in orchards, the home vegetable garden, manures and fertilizers for vegetables, cucumbers, melon and squash culture, pear, bean and sweet corn culture, storing and marketing vegetables, vegetables under glass, celery culture, garden tools, spring works in the market garden, cabbage experiments, good seed, vegetable forcing, tomato varieties, experiments with asparagus, companion cropping.

Speakers on the horticultural program include Dr. S. Fletcher, newly-appointed head of the department of horticulture at State College; Dr. J. P. Stewart and W. C. Gillespie of the department of experimental promology; C. E. Myers, F. N. Fagan, L. F. Reese, J. R. Bechtel, A. F. Yeager, J. S. Gardner, A. W. Cowell and E. I. Wilde, of the department of horticulture; A. E. Mason, in charge of horticultural extension; R. W. DeBaun, in charge of horticultural extension at the New Jersey State College; Maurice Fuld, planteman and seedman, of New York City; Samuel Fraser, nurseryman, of Ions, N. Y., and U. T. Cox, a practical fruit grower, of Ohio.

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Firewood and the Woodlot.

For the farmer who wishes to make the most of his woodlot in getting out the year's supply of firewood the following suggestions are offered by the forestry department of the Pennsylvania State College school of agriculture and expertment station.

1. Limbs broken from trees by storms and tree tops left in woods from which materal for use on the farm has been cut in a hurry during the busy season, should be made into firewood.

2. Standing dead or dying trees of value for other purposes, should be felled and cut up. While much of the dead material will burn up rapidly so that it cannot be used to hold a fire, it gives a hot fire quickly, and is excellent summer wood.

Old large-topped trees with gnarled or badly rotted trunks of little use for any other purpose, should be taken for wood.

4. The outermost edge of the woodlot for a distance toward the centre of about the height of the tree should be untouched except to take out material coming under the first two classes or a few trees of the third class mentioned.

5. Woodlots should be thinned whenever they need it. Trees with small crowns, and of a kind not desirable for use on the farm or for sale should be cut down. Desirable trees should have their crowns freed, but the stand must not be opened up too heavily. Young trees of the better species should be given every opportunity to grow.

STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

The grape crop in Erie county where eighty per cent. of the commercial grape crop is grown is reported to have been fifty per cent. of an average yield.

Report from Warren county state that there was a great shortage of male farm help and that women made splendid teamsters and received two dollars a day for their services.

There has been a decided increase in the wheat acreage and a decrease in the rye acreage over that of last year.

Very little Hessian fly has been reported in the wheat this fall and farmers are generally taking the plan of late sowing to prevent the pest.

Reports from Centre county state that many hogs vaccinated for hog cholera have recovered and other in infected sections have been immune from the disease.

Many cattle are being fattened in Cumberland, York, Lancaster counties where there were splendid corn crops.

Sale Register.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21st, at one o'clock D. A. Boozer and J. I. Fetterolf will sell at the farmer's garage, in Centre Hall borough: Two good automobiles—Bell and Ford; a number of new sleighs, bob sleds, cutters, spring wagons, buggies, etc. A dissolution sale.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1st, at 10 o'clock a. m., 1 mile north of Potters Mills, Homer R. Treaster will sell farm stock and implements; some house hold furniture. A clean-up sale. L. F. Mayes auct.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6TH, 10 o'clock a. m., 3 miles west of Centre Hall, on Henry Potter farm, Daniel Callahan will sell: farm stock, implements, etc.; a clean up sale.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, a 1 day sale, 1 1-2 mile east of Centre Hill, by Tressler and Dauberman: clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, at one o'clock. G. W. Tressler will sell at his residence, 1 and 1-2 miles east of Penns Cave: Farm stock, implements and household goods.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th, at 10 o'clock a. m., J. T. Potter and Jas. Callahan, will sell on the old Potter homestead, four miles west of Centre Hall: Farm stock, implements, etc.; clean up sale of everything.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14TH, at ten o'clock a. m., L. R. Lingle, one-half mile west of Old Fort, on Earlystown road, will sell farm stock and implements. This will be a clean-up sale of everything on the farm.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15th, two miles east of Centre Hall, by Sharer & Keller: Clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1 o'clock p. m., to the rear of Reporter office, Centre Hall; Five pairs of mated mules, two years old at time of sale. These mules will be trained and hitched on forenoon o sale day. Also a lot of cows, fresh and springing

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th, 9 o'clock a. m., W. F. Stover, one-half mile east of Penn Hall, on the road leading to Brushvalley, will sell live stock, farm implements and household goods. Wise and Hubler, aucts.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st, 10 a. m., about two miles west of Tusseyville, by D. Geiss Wagner Clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22nd, at 10 o'clock a. m., R. D. Musser, one mile north of Spring Mills will sell all farm stock, including 30 head of Holstein cattle: also farm implements. A clean-up sale of everything.

FRIDAY, MARCH, 23rd, at 10 o'clock a. m., John Snavely, at Spring Mills, will sell lot of farm stock and implements. A clean-up sale. L. F. Mayes, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 12 o'clock, at Centre Hill, by Lloyd R. Smith: stock sale, consisting of horse, colts, cows, young cattle, hogs and sheep. Mayes, auct.

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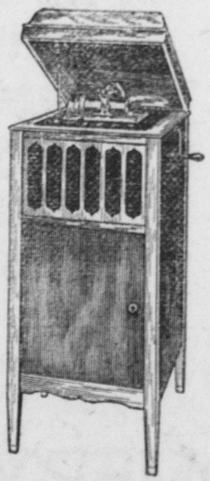

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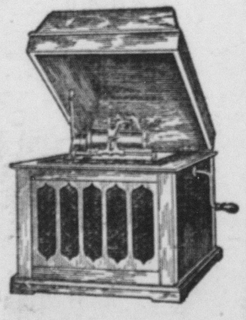

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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1916

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	$159,661 20	Capital	$ 25,000 00
Overdrafts	62 30	Surplus	20,000 00
U. S. Bonds	25,000 00	Undivided Profits	6,508 04
Bonds and Securities	252,198 79	Reserved for Accrued Interest	2,000 00
Federal Bank Stock	1,800 00	Circulation	23,840 00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,972 06	Cashier's Checks	285 40
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	11,782 37	Due to Banks	525 44
Due from Reserve Agents	15,460 41	Deposits	404,984 88
Due from Other Banks	1,636 96		
Redemption Fund	1,250 00		
Cash on Hand	11,819 67		
Total	$483,143 76	Total	$483,143 76

Total Resources Sept. 12, 1916 (last statement) $460,898 95
Gain in Resources since Sept. 12, 1916 22,244 81

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LOCALS.

Farmer Harry E. Fye is suffering with tosilitis.

The Penns Valley Banking Company is issuing a handsome art calendar to its patrons.

George Boozer and James Keller, students at Mercersburg and F. & M., respectively, are home for the Yuletide season.

Rev. Harry W. Buck, pastor of an United Evangelical church at Scranton, is visiting his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Geary.

Misses Martha and Laura Emery, daughters of Irvin Emery, of Mazeppa, are spending a few days with their aunt and uncle, Merchant and Mrs. C. F. Emery.

Mrs. W. B. Mingle left for Philadelphia on Wednesday morning where she will spend the winter with her son, W. Gross Mingle, and her daughter, Mrs. J. Emory Hoy.

The Reporter has a good hunting story, anent the deer season, with a decidedly humorous side to it, which it will give to its readers in an early issue. Lack of space makes it impossible to give it at this time.

The discovery that one Wilson Elector in West Virginia pulled through, although Hughes carried the State by a plurality of over 2,700, will not make it necessary to recall any telegrams on account of the closeness of the count.

The Emerick Motor Buss Company, running between Bellefonte and Lock Haven, was declared a public convenience and given a certificate to do business. The standing of the company was tested before the State Public Service Commission.

T. L. Curray, of Madison, in the Pittsburgh district, is a guest at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Condo, near Centre Hall, having come to Centre County to recuperate. Mr. Curray, who works at one of the industries during the winter and farms during the summer months, had the misfortune to slip and in so doing split the knee cap on one of his limbs.

The junior editor and family feasted on a number of dainty cuts of venison for several days the past week, a very liberal supply having been donated by the Pleasant Gap party, with whom it was the writer's pleasure to enjoy a day's chase after the antlered deer. The day in question will long be remembered, for it abounded in a number of pleasant and exciting experiencee, contained a twenty-mile tramp and ended up with the extreme pleasure of carrying for a distance of a mile one end of a pole from which dangled the prize—a joy to the hearts of all hunters.

Marriage Licenses.

Lawrence Moore, Port Matilda
Blanche Kelley, Port Matilda

Guy Gheen, Bellefonte
Ruth Hidley, Estey

Samuel Poorman, Pleasant Gap
Ethel Zettle, Bellefonte

Edward Homan, Centre Hall
Elizabeth Bible, Centre Hall

Ellis Young, Marsh Creek
Eva McDowel, Nittany

Some Heavy Porkers.

Mrs. Rebecca Murray killed two porkers on Monday that tipped the scale at 872 lbs. Landlord James Runkle slaughtered a pair on Tuesday that weighed 870 lbs.

Linden Hall

Mrs. Peter Weber visited her sister, Mrs James Swabb, last week.

Mrs. Orin Grove is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Tressler.

Mrs. Jacob Zong and Miss Jane Slabig are both under the care of Dr. Longwell.

Mrs. Frank Ishler returned Monday from a visit with her mother, Mrs. Bradford, at Centre Hall.

Mr. Louis Swartz, of Hublersburg, and Miss Mary Synder, of Altoona, spent the week end with Miss Irene Ross.

Mrs. Ellen Ross is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Samuel Gingerich, who has been quite seriously ill.

Mrs. William Houser and daughter, Miss Anna Mary, and Mrs. Henry Houser, spent Monday shopping in Bellefonte.

Miss Snyder was called to State College on Sunday to take care of Dr. Armsby who is ill with pneumonia, and Miss Ross went there later to nurse a patient.

Ned Keller, instead of coming home for Christmas, will spend his vacation at the orphans home at Womelsdorf trying to make the holiday season brighter for the children in that institution.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blazer had an exciting experience on Sunday. When returning from State College their horse shied at an automobile and upset the buggy into a ditch. Fortunately nothing was broken and no one hurt.

Supplement With this Issue.

This issue contains a supplement worth while reading, especially by the shopper. You will also find local news matter on both its pages.

Brings results—a Reporter adv.

DEATHS.

George Keller, a highly respected citizen of State College, passed away at his home on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, after having been in an unconscious state since eleven o'clock that morning. He was afflicted with kidney disease and only a few weeks ago returned from the Bellefonte hospital where he had been a patient for some time. He was the proprietor of the Houserville Woolen Mills and a native of Boalsburg, where he was born fifty-seven years ago, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Keller, deceased. His wife, nee Catharine Bursey, survives with seven children. Two brothers—Ephriam Keller, of Pleasant Gap, and Dr. Grant Keller, of Warren, Illinois—and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Mothersbaugh, of Boalsburg, also survive.

Mr. Keller was a consistent member of the Reformed church at State College. Funeral services will be held on Friday morning at his late home and interment will follow in the Shiloh cemetery, Rev. Horn and Rev. S. C. Stover to conduct the services.

George Ruhl died at the Lock Haven hospital on Sunday, aged sixty years. He was born at Reberaburg, but later in life moved to Clinton county where he was engaged in farming.

Trackwalker Saves Hunter's Life at Paddy Mountain.

On one of the very cold days toward the end of deer season just expired three men, all strangers, who had been hunting on White Mountain opposite Paddy mountain tunnel, not finding any game decided to cross over Penn's Creek in a boat and wait for the train soon due at the tunnel. On the way over the creek one of the men unfortunately fell overboard into the icy waters and got thoroly wet up to the shoulders. His comrades, though encumbered with heavy clothes and suffering from the intense cold, after an heroic effort succeeded in pulling the freezing man into the boat. The rescuers though now very cold and wet themselves rowed madly toward the shore, where their desperate cries for help attracted the attention of the trackwalker, Sam Rider, who was busily engaged in repairing the track at the tunnel. Mr. Rider did not think the call for help so urgent at first and as his work had to be completed before the train was due, he first finished his repair which took several minutes, and then ran down to the creek. In a glance the trackwalker took in the desperate situation. The victim of the accident was suffering intensely from cold and could no longer talk, his clothes were frozen stiff and he stared wildly, while his companions were too frightened or too cold to render aid.

Mr. Rider knew the men had left suit cases at the station and hurried to take the man there. The man's friends, in the meantime, explained that there was a suit of dry underwear and some dry hose besides some other dry articles in the suit cases. Right there in the cold the trackwalker undressed the helpless hunter and with all possible speed put him in dry clothing, and then by rubbing his hands and limbs and walking him about again got his blood into circulation. The train soon came and after flagging it the hunters with much effort and still very cold boarded the warm train and started for home. Mr. Rider, needless to say, deserves much credit for so ably handling such a desperate and urgent situation.

Potters Mills

James Moyer spent Monday in Bellefonte.

Roy Smith and sister Mrs. Ashbridge Thomas, spent Sunday at Spring Mills with their brother Lloyd.

Squire Carson and brother Joseph made a business trip to Lewistown, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Heneball, of State College, visited at the home of John Wilkinson over Saturday and Sunday.

Quite an exciting time took place on Monday evening when Samuel Immel reported a fire. It was soon discovered that it was the old Harper place, in the gap. Nothing could be done to prevent the complete destruction of the house, which had been abandoned some years ago.

CENTRE OAK

Good sleighing in this section at present.

Fine fall weather and the butchering season is about over. A person don't hear much about champion porkers this fall; let's hear from you.

The Season threshers, John Harshberger manager, also the Durst Bros., have finished up threshing in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Breon, from Horse Heads, N. Y., spent part of last week in this section with the former's sister and brother. Mr. Breon lives on the Eisenhart dairy farm at Horse Heads, N. Y.

William Guisewite, Charles Limbert and family, also Mrs. Claude Fiedler, all from Aaronsburg, helped to butcher for C. S. Musser, on the Dr. Lieb farm, Mr. Guisewite being the head butcher. His services must have been o. k. as he was again engaged for the coming season.

BOALSBURG.

James Ross has been on the sick list for the past ten days.

Mrs. Norman Slagel returned to her home after a visit to Altoona.

Edward Tussey spent several days at the William Gobeen home.

David Stuart, of Ingram, and Edward Hunter, of Altoona, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. James Fry, of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ksup.

Mrs. Maud Williams and sons expect to spend Christmas with relatives in Altoona.

Miss Maude Houtz spent several days of last week at Williamsport. On her return home she was accompanied by Mrs. George Houtz and daughter.

The Lutheran Sunday-school will hold their Christmas entertainment on Saturday evening, Dec. 23. The Reformed Sunday school will hold their entertainment on Sunday evening, Dec. 24.

PENN HALL

Samuel Hosterman visited his parents over Sunday.

Mrs. Ephraim Shook is on the sick list at present.

Miss Hiller, from New York, visited her friend, Lola Ulrich, for a few days last week.

Gross Shook and family spent last Sunday at the home of his uncle, Daniel Shook.

Mrs. Roy Ebert and daughter, from Renovo, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott McMutrie, the past week.

Rev. Geesey, pastor of the Lutheran church at this place, will preach again Sunday morning. Rev. Geesey, owing to a sprained ankle, was unable to be about for a time.

Georges Valley

Hobert Barger left on Monday for Burnham where he has found employment.

Mrs. Sara Reeder spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ackerman.

Mrs. Lydia Lingle went to Lock Haven where she will spend the holiday season with her sister, Mrs. E. L. Eungard, and her son, Edward Lingle.

Mrs. Susan Davis returned home after spending several weeks at the home of William Smith.

Miss Ethel Long will hold a Christmas entertainment at the Decker school house on Friday evening.

Today (Thursday) is the astronomic opening of the winter season. Today is also the shortest day of the year.

"September Morn" Coming.

"September Morn," one of the most popular theatrical attractions on the road, will appear at the Garman Opera House, Bellefonte, Friday ev'g, December 29th. On its appearance at Bellefonte two years ago it played to a capacity house and the same recognition has been accorded it in all the larger centers. Do not miss it.

Prices 35, 50, 75, and $1.00.

Spring Mills.

Pealer Roseman came home from West Chester Normal on Saturday to remain until after Christmas.

T. M. Gramley was a Bellefonte visitor on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lee, Jr., were to Sunbury on Saturday.

Robb C. Musser and mother were to Millheim on Monday.

James Carson broke his arm cranking his father's automobile.

Spring Mills hunters shot three deer.

Do not fail to hear and see Zwickey, the artist, at Grange Arcadia to-night (Thursday). He is said to be the busiest man in the world.

Aaronsburg.

Raymond Weaver, from El Paso, Texas, is at home, with his parents.

Miss Beckie Snyder is getting along remarkably well since her return home from the hospital.

Mrs. T. C. Weaver and her sister-in-law, Magadalena Weaver, were Christmas shoppers in Millheim.

There will be a musical concert in the U. Ev. church on the 30th of December.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harter and two children, Mary and Lee, from Elkader, Iowa, arrived here on Saturday to pay the former's parents a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stover and baby, of Wolfs Store, will spend Christmas with her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Bowersox.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHARTER.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made by P. T. Davis, M. S. Mitchell and A. J. Musser, to the Governor of Pennsylvania, the 15th day of January, 1917, at two o'clock P. M., under the provisions of an act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations", approved the 29th day of April, A. D. 1874, and the several supplements thereto, for a charter for an intended corporation to be called MILLHEIM ELECTRIC COMPANY, the character and object of which is to supply light, heat and power, or either of them, by electricity, to the public in the borough of Millheim, County of Centre, and State of Pennsylvania, and to such persons, partnerships and corporations residing therein, or adjacent thereto, as may desire the same, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and priveleges by said act of Assembly and the supplements thereto conferred.

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by

Douglas Malloch

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Pinned like a jewel to the
purple night,
One glowing star that lights
a waiting world,
One gleaming star, a bea-
con and a lamp.

FIVE points it has, five
points like lesser
stars.
One looks to Heaven, and
its name is Faith.
Two follow the horizon: one
is Love,
The other world-encircling
Brotherhood.
Another, Kindness, burning
on unchanged,
And Charity, the fifth, are
set toward Earth
To bring it nearer Heaven.

OUT from them all, from
every shining point.
Pour forth such rays!—a
glory radiant
That seeks and finds the
heaven's highest dome,
That seeks and finds the
deepest vale of Earth,
The hearts of princes melts,
the beggars' warms.

BEHOLD the Star," they
cry, "of Bethlehem!"
The Star of Faith and Love,
of Brotherhood,
Of Charity and Kindness!
And behold
Around, about, its fair, efful-
gent rays—
The Christmas Spirit—light-
ing all the World!
Now "Peace on Earth," they
cry, "Good Will to Men!"

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Good Christmas Motto.

"Peace on earth, and good will to men," is the Christmas motto, and the Christmas spirit should ring in our hearts and find a kindly expression in acts and words. What a joyful thing for the world it would be if the Christmas spirit of peace and good will could abide with us all every day of the year. And what a beautiful place this world would be to live in. And it might be so if each one of us would resolve in our hearts that peace and good will should be our motto every day, and that we, individually, would do our best to make the Christmas spirit last all the year round.

Benevolence Vs. Extravagance.

The greatest obstacle to charity in the Christian church today is the fact that men expend so much on their table and women so much on their dress, they have got nothing left for the work of God and the world's betterment.—Talmage.

Always New.

"You surely don't give your husband a necktie every Christmas?"

"Oh, yes, I do! And the poor dear never seems to know that it is the same one!"

THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

"She's afraid I wasn't going to give anything to her."

"What makes you think that?"

"She sent in her present to me yesterday."

What He Missed.

Groans—Old Adam was a lucky man in one respect, anyway.

Grins—What's the answer?

Groans—Eve never gave him a box of bargain-counter cigars for Christmas.

Everything Matters.

Christianity is not man's confession to God that nothing matters, since man is what he is. It is God's shout to man that everything matters, since God sees in man what man may become.—W. H. Blake.

Her Happy Christmas

by Clarissa Mackie

THE schoolteacher at Rock Gulch dismissed her pupils with a smiling face. Behind the smiles lurked unshed tears. When the last youngster had vanished down the snow-covered trail, Bernice leaned her head against the window frame and the hot, rebellious tears flooded her soft gray eyes.

How she hated this far western country, with its crude ways, its dowdily dressed women, its unpolished men, and, above all, its loneliness! It was all so different from New England—and yet she fled from Massachusetts to hide a heartache.

"There is something wrong with me," she sighed at last. "It can't be the country or the people—they are kind and generous—it's the way I feel! How can I cure the ache and the homesickness for things that may never be?"

No answer came to her out of the swiftly falling winter twilight.

Perhaps the knowledge that a wedding was taking place in Boston at that very hour confused her reasoning powers. The man had ceased to love her and she had offered him his freedom and he had accepted it, and so, being without near relatives, Bernice had found a position out here in Montana. This was her first Christmas in Rocky Gulch.

After awhile she locked the schoolhouse door, and with the children's Christmas offerings in her lunch bas-

"Merry Christmas!" All Three Said in Unison.

ket, the lonely little schoolma'am set off down the trail toward the Tucker place, where she boarded.

It was snowing hard now and the trail was rapidly disappearing under the white blanket. In the deepening gloom dark shapes appeared, approaching and receding, but they proved to be the pine trees fringing the steep slopes.

Far below, the lights of the town gleamed through the darkness and then vanished, and Bernice, plunging out of the path to avoid a deep drift, took a wrong turning and soon acknowledged to herself with a frightened sob that she was lost on the mountain in a raging blizzard.

Hours afterward, she sank exhausted at the foot of a pine tree and dropped her head on her outstretched arms.

"I will rest for a few minutes," she murmured drowsily.

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Down in the town Mrs. Tucker waited supper that Christmas eve until nine o'clock. Then little Willie Tucker sleepily announced that Mrs. Halliday had invited teacher to spend the night and eat Christmas dinner at the Halliday ranch. Chiding Willie for his tardy information, Mrs. Tucker hastened to the telephone and called the Halliday ranch; but the wires were all down, and so the anxious little woman decided that the teacher had been unable to send word about her change of Christmas plans, and went about the trimming of the Tucker Christmas tree with renewed activity.

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Bernice opened her eyes in the living room of a warm log cabin. Gay Navajo blankets hung from the walls and covered the broad couch on which she reclined before a blazing fire of hickory logs.

Two men were bending over the fire; one was stirring something in a bright tin saucepan, something hot and steaming which he poured into a tumbler and brought to her bedside.

"Hello!" he smiled. "Awake are you? Drink this mess and tell us how it all happened."

Bernice smiled back into a bronzed face that inspired instant confidence. He was young, with very blue eyes and very brown hair.

Bernice obediently drank the steaming mixture and snuggled down in the blankets and went to sleep.

"I wonder who she is, Jim," said the last comer.

"She came to us out of the storm—a little snowbird," murmured Jim Butler.

Billy Smith smiled shrewdly.

"Little Snowbird will be missed on Christmas eve," he said. "Some one is probably looking for her now, so don't set your heart on her, Jim."

Jim laughed softly.

"Oh, get out, you old idiot!" he grinned. "Can't a chap sentimentalize a bit on Christmas eve without your getting silly? I was thinking it will be a sorry Christmas for this little girl, and this blizzard looks good for all day tomorrow!"

"Sure thing—so I'm going out to cut a Christmas tree for her," said Billy struggling into his heavy coat.

"You're an angel," laughed Jim, getting out an ax.

He had never seen Bernice Avery before the moment when he had stumbled over her snow-covered form. He had carried her to the cabin three miles up the mountain and given Billy Smith the surprise of his adventurous life.

James Butler was a timber expert in the employ of the government and Billy was his right-hand man.

Suddenly the door opened and Billy staggered in, powdered with whiteness, carrying a small, symmetrical hemlock tree.

"Our Christmas tree for the kid," he said solemnly.

"Good," chuckled Jim, and they set to work.

It was Christmas morning when Bernice awoke again. Dimly she remembered the events of the night and when full realization came upon her she sat up in bed and looked around.

"Dear me, how horrid I feel!" she yawned sleepily, and at that instant she saw the Christmas tree and her eyes popped wide open.

The little tree stood on a table near the fire, propped with heavy stones. Strings of popcorn festooned it and there were puzzling tinseled ornaments—nuts covered with tinfoil. There were a Mexican quirt, a pair of gayly beaded Indian moccasins, a roll of Navajo blankets and some apples and oranges.

"I wonder whose Christmas tree this is," marveled Bernice.

The sun was streaming through the windows when Jim and Billy knocked at the door and entered in response to her call.

They had arrayed themselves in their best garments and they glanced expectantly from the girl's shyly smiling face to the gay little tree.

"Merry Christmas!" all three said in unison, and then laughed in gay friendliness.

"It looks so Christmasy in here," said Bernice: "I'm afraid I've stumbled upon somebody's Christmas tree."

Jim laughed. "Oh, that's your tree!"

"Mine?" she stammered.

"Yes—it was Billy's idea—your being away from home and everything. These are just trifles we had around the house. Please don't cry!" he protested as tears filled the lovely eyes of his guest.

"But you don't know how beautiful it is," she sobbed. "I was hating Christmas this year—I was so lonesome—and everything!"

She told them how she had disliked the West, not dreaming it could hold such kindness, and in return both men became very gruff indeed and Billy sternly insisted upon her coming out and eating her breakfast of cornbread, bacon and coffee. Jim said nothing, but his eyes were eloquent.

It was late afternoon when the storm ceased so that they could put on snowshoes and set out down the trail toward the Gulch, Bernice hugging her precious gifts close to her heart.

"It's the happiest Christmas I ever had," she told Jim, with eyes all ashine.

"And you don't hate the West and its people?" he smiled.

"No, indeed!"

"Then—perhaps—you will like it well enough to stay here always!" he blurted, and then in a panic of bashfulness he dashed away from the Tucker's front gate, leaving Billy sole witness to Bernice's blushes and telltale eyes.

"We'll have another Christmas tree next year—we three—and it won't be any accident either," predicted the guide shrewdly.

Billy's prophecy was fulfilled, and Bernice's happy Christmas was followed by many more in the country which she learned to love because Love had really sought and found her there.

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ECONOMY IN USE OF INDOOR GOWN

Many Reasons Why New Fashion Has Met With Such General Approval.

NOW WORN WITH WARM COAT

Addition of Extra Garment Removes Practically Last Argument Against It—Designers Have Exhausted Their Ingenuity in Devising Effects That Will Please.

New York.—The one thing that appeals to the average woman concerning the strong incoming fashion of the indoor gown, is that it can be made from evening gowns that are not quite in the present picture. All those who are interested in the economics of dress have preached the loose tea gown for one's own home after six o'clock in the afternoon as a means of preserving one's other apparel; and rest assured, this is the reason the French use it, because they have no class so rich that it does not know thrift.

You know by personal experience that wearing the skirt belonging to the tailored suit in the house after the coat has been removed, is just merely ruining the suit; and dressing for dinner, which has become such a universal custom among nearly all classes of American life in the last six years, is too expensive a practice, for it means that one's evening gown suitable for someone else's dinner or a dance is used. A gracious compromise lies in the indoor robe.

Lacks Sufficient Warmth.

The fault found with it in recent years has been that its flimsy quality makes it too chilly for all houses, although overheating of American rooms is the rule instead of the incident.

This trouble has been offset by the new fashion which calls for a warm coat as a part of the tea gown. It is a wise procedure first to find out how these remarkably attractive new clothes are made and then, if not able to buy them at fountain-head, to look over the evening gowns and gaudy materials that one may possess and see if one or two such robes cannot be fashioned.

The appearance of these two gowns may be divided into two parts, the medieval and the empire. They swirl and slink and reveal the figure, and they glow with color.

Pictorial Gowns for the House.

A few of the most original indoor gowns were by individuals have been imported from a famous studio in Venice. Importers have searched Italy for unique creations in fifteenth century styles, and old Italian pictures have been copied in richly colored velvets, furs and complex motifs of colored crystals.

The addition of the warm jacket to the indoor robe is a French conception because of the eternal chilliness of their houses, but it has met with eager approval on this side of the water.

One indoor gown is of oxidized gray net, covered with steel paillettes, and it falls in a straight line from shoulders well on the floor, where it folds about the feet front and back. There is a girdle at the hips of immense imitation rubies set in a composition that looks like old silver, with a huge crystal in front and long fringes that hang to the knees. The neck of this is cut in the difficult renaissance fashion, and on each shoulder is an immense imitation ruby to clasp the front and back together. Over this, purely for the sake of riotous color, is a long, full coat that might be a Doge's mantle, or ruby red chiffon velvet the same on both sides, and bordered with dark gray fur.

Oriental Effect.

Another tea gown is oriental, with full trousers of silver net that are caught in at the ankles, a tunic of gauze that is girdled with old silver, an imitation turquoise, and a long coat of king's blue velvet lined with deep pink satin and trimmed with ermine.

Still another indoor gown that has been brought over by the designers is of orange yellow chiffon, girdled high at the waist with gold and pearls, with a sweeping, imperial cape of yellow and gold brocade, ending in a long train; it is lined with pale blue velvet and broad bands of black seal hold it down on the shoulders.

The enthusiastic fashion for wearing indoor robes has brought about the introduction of brilliant blouses that are worn to all indoor affairs and which may be concocted to put in combination with a separate skirt for constant usage at night in one's own house. These blouses hang limply from the shoulders, they are usually made of chiffon or panne velvet and always in a gorgeous color. The belt, which is placed at the normal waistline, is an extravagant affair of colored crystal or buillon or any other bit of decoration that recalls the art of other days.

There has been a dipping into old Aztec designs for clothes worn in the street and in the house, but the Napoleonic era is also productive of much that is desired.

Typical of Blouse Styles.

One such blouse gives a good idea of what all the others are. It is of brilliant green chiffon, dropped over thin yellow satin, and hangs in loose folds to the hips, with the immense cape collar that is low in front and has its edges embroidered in black. It is fastened in front with square cut jet buttons, and the belt is made of four loose strands of jet beads held in place by unusually large black and white Napoleonic cameos. This is worn with a black velvet skirt. If a woman wants to adopt it for the house, it will bring any black skirt into the highlight of smartness.

The woman who is more interested in her street clothes than those for her house, though this is the wrong idea to take of apparel, will find information possibly not to her liking in the last story from Paris that Paquin, along with many other great designers, is lengthening skirts to the ankles and cutting them only two yards wide The experts insisted that this was the new fashion as early as September, but the Americans have gone on wearing full, short skirts, except the few who realized that they were not becoming and who insisted upon the narrow one that came below the shoetops.

Modeled on Old Styles.

All the straws show the tendency toward 1812 and 1830 in street clothes, borrowed from the men and not the women. One of the smartest new blue cheviots made for the south has a coat that looks like a daguerreotype, with its full peplum, its immense pockets, its tightly buttoned waist, flaring revers, and shawl collar that rises to the hair in back.

The introduction of dull gold and silver buttons, flat and large, on these early nineteenth century street costumes, make the resemblance to the men's apparel of other days even more significant. It is now only a step to the plaited shirt, with the starched, ruffled front, the high cambric collar that stands out from under the chin, and the necktie of polka dot silk wrapped twice around the neck and finished with flowing ends in front.

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FRENCH INDOOR ROBES, SUBSTITUTE FOR EVENING GOWNS.

One—Tea gown with tunic of silver over trousers that fasten at the ankle, with blue velvet coat trimmed with bands of ermine. Two—Gown of orange yellow chiffon, with cape of yellow and gold brocade trimmed with bands of black.

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Best Excuse.

"Does your husband ever tell you when he stays out late at night, that it was because somebody gave an interesting talk at the club?"

"No."

"How interesting! Doesn't he ever give you any excuse at all or make any explantion?"

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She Ought to Know.

Harold was passing through a period of soldier worship; anyone with epaulets was to him all-wise and wholly perfect.

He went one day with his mother to call on an elderly widow whose husband had been a general in the Civil war. During the course of the conversation the two ladies became involved in a very mild disagreement as to some trifling detail. Harold endured it for a moment, then he observed, chidingly:

"Mother, don't you think a general's wife ought to know?"

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills contain nothing but vegetable ingredients, which act gently as a tonic and purgative by stimulation and not by irritation. Adv.

Making Him Useful.

Walter Damrosch is quoted as telling of a visit of Paderewski to an English country house, where one afternoon a countess remarked to the famous pianist:

"Oh, Mr. Paderewski, you play, don't you?"

"Yes madame," the master replied.

"Then," said the countess, "would you mind turning my daughter's music?"

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Foxy Jack.

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"Nikle," responded Johnnie.

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"You didn't ask me that. You asked me how I spelled it."

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TO PRODUCE BABY BEEF

First Essential of Ticklish Business Is Quality.

Only Successful When Stock, Farm and Man Behind Both Are Adapted to Risky Undertaking—Feed Is Important.

The production of baby beef is a very ticklish business. It is successfully done only when stock, farm and the man behind both are all adapted to a very risky undertaking. The whole object is to turn twelve to sixteen month-old calves off as prime fat steers, weighing 1,000 to 1,400 pounds in much less time than required for general steer raising. The whole thing means quality animals to start with. It means offspring from strictly beef strains, like Shorthorn, Hereford, Angus or Galloway. Really no other breed need apply in the production of real baby beef, says a writer in Baltimore American. Both mothers and offspring must be abundantly fed so as to keep these young things steadily on the gain, eating to their full capacity, from birth to market.

The calves must nurse their dams and be given an abundance of nutritious grain from the very start, both while on pasture and when in winter quarters. Concentrated feeds in addition to clover and alfalfa are

Registered Shorthorns.

absolutely necessary during the winter months. Long nursing on the dams or an abundance of milk or skim milk with grain is necessary. This all means that splendid, well-bred stock is to be used only. It means also that you have got to have ideal farm conditions, an abundance of the very best pasture and legume hays, silage and grain feeds.

Can Be Done in East.

There is no reason why baby beef cannot be made in the East, except that labor is expensive or that farms have not been farmed to produce highest quality legumes and other grasses for pasture. Besides this, the production of grain is more expensive as a rule in the East, thus contributing to high costs in making beef. You see the regular average pasture, with the regular average method of feeding, will not produce topnotch baby beef. I do not mean to say that we cannot reach a point where raising baby beef may not be profitable in the East; not that, but we have got to get ready for that sort of farming first.

LABOR AND FERTILITY SAVED

Excellent Farm Practice to Haul Manure Direct to Field Where It Is to Be Utilized.

Farmers and scientists are pretty well agreed that under ordinary farm conditions the best place for manure after it leaves the barn is spread on the field where it is to be utilized.

More and more farmers are building their barns now with a view to driving through the barn, loading the manure directly on to the wagon or spreader, and taking it out to the field each day. This is excellent farm practice. It saves labor and soil fertility.

GENERAL FARM NOTES

Study the capability of your soil.

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Keep the pigs growing all the time.

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Marketing is an art, and a specialty.

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What did your heaviest lamb weigh at birth?

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Keep the lambs growing; a stunted lamb never makes a good sheep.

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Plan the season's work during the winter months. It will pay you.

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Celery may be banked with earth or boards to cause it to bleach well.

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The manure spreader is not a passing fad. It is a labor-saver and has come to stay.

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Get a standard breed and see the difference it makes in your poultry keeping experience.

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Clear the garden of all weeds and refuse. This material only harbors insects for next year's trouble.

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It is estimated that the man who ships 20 cars of grain containing 20 per cent of moisture pays freight on one car of excess water, using 15 per cent moisture as a basis.

BIG TRUTH IN "LOAFER LAND"

Job of Clearing Fields of Stumps Can Be Done on Days When Other Work Is Not Pressing.

Everybody hates a loafer around who consumes without giving anything in return. United States agricultural department, in naming stump land "loafer land," has struck upon a big truth that every farmer should take into consideration.

Men who have made careful study of the situation claim that every 12-inch stump on your place wastes 100 square feet of land. At first this statement may seem somewhat surprising and many farmers seem to feel that by pasturing their stump land there is no waste at all.

This is poor figuring, says California Cultivator. In most stump fields there is an average of 150 stumps to the acre, some much larger than 12 inches. With an average of 150 stumps to the acre you are simply wasting 15,000 square feet of land to each acre, and as there are only 43,000 square feet to the acre, you are wasting one-third of your land. Suppose someone were to propose to you that of each 30-acre pasture you shut off ten acres for the pure joy of seeing it wasted. You would think him utterly absurd, but it is no more absurd than to continue letting your land lie in a stumpage.

And after all it doesn't take long to clear off the stumps. The job can be done on the days when you can't work at anything else and by owning a good stump puller or being ready with dynamite you will find a surprising lot of "loafer land" converted to usefulness for the year's end.

GOOD AS VEGETABLE MATTER

Refuse Hay, Straw Litter, and Other Rubbish Can Be Utilized in Orchard and Garden.

The value of refuse hay, straw litter and other rubbish for vegetable matter on orchard and garden soil has hardly been realized. Much of this material goes to waste every year that might be used to enrich the garden and orchard soil.

Now is the time to apply such materials to the soil, as it will take some time for it to decay and be of use to the soil. By applying this fall and turning it under the soil will be revived and enriched and hence made ready for preparation and planting next spring.

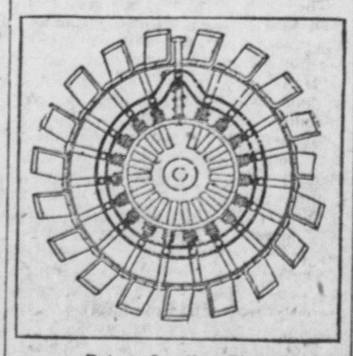
Most gardens could be made far more productive than they have been. To do this it will be necessary to begin on time. Humus is the greatest need in most instances, for without it little can be done in good preparation and ample cultivation.

Barnyard manure is better than waste litter, straw, etc., but manure is generally scarce, not enough being available to improve the soil on most farms. To supplement manure all waste vegetable matter should be used.

NOVEL ROTARY SPADING PLOW

Farm Implement Recently Patented by California Inventor Has Self-Scouring Arrangement.

Such a rotary plow as shown here has been used in Germany for some time, though many details of construction were different. This plow is a



Rotary Spading Plow.

recent patent of a Sacramento (Cal.) man. The blades of this spading plow are cleared by means of the push rods, which have scraper plates mounted on them and are movable over the blades of the spades. Thus, the plow is made a self-scouring affair.—Farming Business.

TOAD IS GARDEN POLICEMAN

Seventy-Seven Per Cent of His Diet Is Composed of Insects—Should Be Welcome Guest.

The toad is a garden policeman. Seventy-seven per cent of his diet is composed of insects and the remainder consists of spiders and worms of all kinds.

The toad is in a position to capture his "daily bread" with his tongue. In this respect he is like some who get their living by talking.

A toad should be a welcome guest in a garden or flower bed.

WEED IS MOST UNDESIRABLE

Keeping Ahead of Noxious Plant Requires Knowledge and Perseverance on Part of Farmer.

A good deal has been said about weeds and all will agree that they are most undesirable. No one cares to grow them in crops and yet they grow, and that luxuriantly, if unrestrained.

Keeping ahead of the weeds requires perseverance and a correct knowledge of the best way to keep them down.

THE MARKETS

NEW YORK.—Wheat—Spot irregular; No. 1 durum, 213½c; No. 2 hard, 193; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 204½; No. 1 Northern Manitoba, 206¾ f o b New York.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 108¾ c i f New York, 10-day shipment.

Oats—Standard, 61@61½c.

Hay—No. 1, $1.10; No. 2, $1.05; No. 3, 90c; shipping, 70@75.

Butter—Creamery, higher than extras (specials), 39@39½c; creamery, extras (92 score), 38½; firsts, 37@38; seconds, 35½@36½.

Eggs—Fresh gathered, extra firsts, 46@47c; firsts, 43@45; refrigerator, special marks, fancy, 33; refrigerator, seconds to firsts, 30½@32½; nearby hennery whites, fine to fancy, 55@58; nearby hennery browns, 50@55.

Cheese—State, held, specials, 24¾@25c; do, average fancy, 24@24½.

Live Poultry—Chickens, 17c; fowls, 15@17½; turkeys, 14@15. Dressed poultry irregular; chickens, 15@29; fowls, 13@21; turkeys, 18@28.

PHILADELPHIA.—Wheat—No. 2 red, spot, $1.73½@1.77½; No. 2 Southern red, $1.72½@1.75½; do. do. steamer No. 2 red, $1.70½@1.73½; do. do., No. 3, $1.70½@1.73½; rejected A, $1.66½@1.69½; rejected B, $1.62½@1.65½.

Corn—Western, No. 3 yellow, $1.04½@1.06½; do. do., No. 4 yellow, $1.02½@1.04½; Southern, No. 3 yellow, 99½@1.01½; old, Western $1.13½@1.16½.

Oats—No. 2 white, 61@61½c; standard white, 60½@61c; No. 3 white, 5 ¼@60c; No. 4 white, 58@59c; sample oats, 55@56c.

Butter—Western, solid-packed creamery, fancy, specials, 40c; do do, extras, 38@39c; do do, extra firsts, 37c; do do, firsts, 36c; do do, seconds, 35c; renovated, extras, 33c; do do, firsts, 32c; do do, seconds, 31c; nearby prints, fancy, 41c; do do, average, extras, 39@40c; do do, firsts, 37@38c; do do, seconds, 35@36c; jobbing sales of fancy prints, 44@47c.

Eggs—Nearby extras, 43c; nearby firsts, per standard case, $12.30; nearby current receipts, $12; extras, 43c per dozen; do do, extra firsts, $12.30 per case; do do, firsts, $12; refrigerator extras, $9.90; do do, firsts, $9.60; do, do, seconds, $9; fancy, selected, candled, jobbing at 48@54c a dozen.

Cheese—New York, full cream, fancy, 25¼@25½c; specials, higher; do, fair to good, 24¼@24¾c; do do, part skims, 13@21c.

Live Poultry—Fowls, 15@17c; roosters, 13@14c; Spring chickens, according to quality, 15@17c; white leghorns, according to quality, 14@16c; ducks, as to size and quality, 16@18c; turkeys, 20@22c; geese, 15@18c; pigeons, old, per pair, 28@30c; do do, young, per pair, 20@25c; guineas per pair, old, 60@70c; young, according to size, weighing 1½ pounds apiece and over, $1.40@1.50.

BALTIMORE.—WHEAT—No. 2 red spot and December, 175¼c; January, 175½; steamer 2 red spot, 155¼; No. 2 red Western spot and December, 181¼; January 2 red Western, 181½; steamer 2 red Western spot, 164¼.

Corn—Contract December, 104½; spot mixed corn, 104½.

Oats—No. 2 white, 62@62½c; standard white, 61@61½; No. 3 white, 60@60½.

Rye—We quote, export delivery, on spot, per bu: No. 2 Western, export, $1.55@1.55½; No. 3 do do, 152@152½; No. 4 do do, 151@151½; bag lots, as to quality and condition, 110@120.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $16.50@17; No. 2 do, $15.50@16; No. 3 do, $13@15; light clover mixed, $15.50; No. 1 do do, $15; No. 2 do do, $11.50@13.50; No. 1 clover, $14@14.50; No. 2 do, $13@13.50; No. 3 do, $8@9.

Butter—Creamery, fancy, 41@42c; creamery, choice, 39@40; creamery, good, 38; creamery, prints, 42@43; creamery, blocks, 41@43; Maryland and Pennsylvania rolls, 29@30; Ohio rolls, 28@29; West Virginia rolls, 28@29; store-packed, 28; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania dairy prints, 29@30.

Eggs—Maryland, Pennsylvania and nearby firsts, 40c; Western firsts, 39@40; West Virginia firsts, 38@39; Southern firsts, 36@37. Cold storage eggs are quoted at 35@36.

Live Poultry—Chickens—Old hens, 4 lbs. and over, 16c; do, small to medium, 15; old roosters, 11; springers, smooth, fat, 16@17; do, rough and poor, 15; do, White Leghorns, 16. Ducks—Young Pekings, 3½ lbs. and over, 16c; do, puddle, do, do, do, 15@16; do, muscovy, do, do, do 15; do, smaller, 14. Geese—Nearby, 15@16c; Western and Southern 14@15; Kent Island, 16@17. Turkeys—Young, 9 lbs. and over, 20@21c; do, smaller, 18@19; old Toms, 19@20; poor and crooked breast, 16@17. Pigeons, young, per pair, 20@25c; do, old, do, 20@25. Guinea Fowl—Young, 1½ lbs. and over, each, 60@65c; do, 1 to 1¼ lbs. do, 40@50; old, 30@35.

Live Stock

CHICAGO.—Hogs—Bulk, $9.45@10; light, $8.90@9.90; mixed, $9.30@10.15; heavy, $9.55@10.20; rough, $9.55@9.70; pigs, $7@8.80.

Cattle—Native beef cattle, $7@12.75; Western steers, $7@10.50; stockers and feeders, $4.60@4.75; cows and heifers, $3.85@10.25; calves, $9.50@13.25.

Sheep—Wethers, $8.30@9.25; ewes, $5@8.75; lambs, $10.10@12.85.

CANADA AGAIN A PRIZE WINNER

Highest Premiums Awarded at Many Exhibitions.

The Fall fair season is past and a retrospect of them shows that Western Canada is stronger than ever in the matter of exhibits, and has taken more than her usual share of the prize money. From Western Canada to Texas is a long look, from Alberta Saskatchewan and Manitoba to the southwestern corner of Texas is several days' journey, but the enterprising farmers from this new country to the northwest were wide awake to the possibilities that waited them at the International Dry Farming Congress held at El Paso, Texas, a few weeks ago, to bring to the attention of those in that far-off corner what the land of Western Canada could do in the production of grains and roots from its soil. And what did these farmers do? The first thing was to carry off the first prize and sweepstakes for wheat. That was a foregone conclusion, for it has now become an established fact that nowhere else in the world is there grown wheat of the high character and market value of Western Canadian wheat. The same may be said of oats, of barley and of rye. But when it came to notice that Western Canada took first prize for alfalfa, it was then that more special attention was given to the products from Western Canada. It showed that in that country there lies the opportunity for supplementing the wonderful native grasses, so full of nutrition that with the tamed varieties, among them being alfalfa, the cattle with no other food were fattened and fitted for the shambles. Western Canada's worth was proved as probably the greatest mixed farming portion of the continent. When the steers from the Western Canadian prairies reach the Chicago stockyards they bring the top price and outweigh those from other places where grass fattening is the process. But it was not only in grains that Western Canada carried off the highest honors at the El Paso exhibition. Potatoes, parsnips, beets, carrots and rutabagas also took the highest honors. In root production this country is becoming favorably known.

The question often arises as to markets. There is always the highest price awaiting the producer, and as soon as the Hudson Bay Railway, now about completed, reaches the Bay, there will be an additional outlet for the product of the farm. The Pacific coast route, via the Panama canal, will give another outlet of which full advantage may be taken. With virgin land selling at from $15 to $20 per acre, and improved farms at reasonable prices and on easy terms, there is no better opportunity for the man with limited means and a desire to secure a home at the least cost in a country where he can soon become wealthy, as thousands of others have done, than in Western Canada. To the man with less means and who is prepared to accept a farm of 160 acres free, the Dominion Government offers him his choice in districts that have land of the highest type, but at present being from ten to twenty miles from a railway.

The Peace River Country, now being opened for settlement and reached by railway affords excellent opportunity to the homesteader. To secure information as to Western Canadian lands write the Canadian Government agent, whose name appears elsewhere in this paper.—Advertisement.

A heroic wife is one who could talk back but refuses to do it.

MATADOR DOOMED IN MEXICO

General Carranza Puts a Ban on Bullfights in the Southern Republic.

General Carranza has acted for the betterment of Mexico by issuing a decree abolishing bullfighting, long regarded as the national sport of Mexico. The decree states the government is under obligations to stamp out customs which are opposed to culture, and to aid civilization by elevating the moral level of the people. It denounces bullfights as needlessly endangering the lives of men, torturing beasts, provoking sanguinary sentiments and disgracing the country.

Then what a commentary on the poor of Mexico follows! Immediately after the denunciation of bullfighting the decree ads that bullfights cause misery to the poor, who, for a moment's enjoyment, go without the necessaries of life. This remarks the El Paso (Tex.) Herald, is an admission that the masses of Mexico are willing to deprive themselves of food and clothing to enjoy something which is a disgrace to the country.

This recalls a statement ascribed to the late President Diaz, who, when asked once whom the people of Mexico would elect for president if allowed an unrestricted exercise of the ballot, is said to have replied: "Bombito, the bullfighter."

There may have been some truth in the alleged interview, or it may be wholly fictitious. If at all true, it illustrates the hold which the so-called sport has had upon some Mexicans, especially the lower classes.

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OPEN WIRELESS TO JAPAN

Service Recently Inaugurated Has Total Mileage of 5,442 With One Relay.

Wireless service between Japan and the United States by way of Honolulu was inaugurated on November 15. The route begins at the San Francisco transmitting station at Bolinas ridge, just 2,087 miles from the Hawaiian wireless station at Kahuka. The mileage from Honolulu to Fienabashi, near Tokio, to 3,355 miles, and the total mileage of the service is 5,442 with but the one relay. This is understood to be the longest distance over which commercial wireless messages have ever been sent. The Marconi company announces two classes of service between California and Japan. The full rate or expedited service at 80 cents a word, a reduction of 41 cents a word from the existing rates, and a deferred half-rate service at 40 cents a word. The lowest cable rate at present is $1.21 a word.—Philadelphia Commercial Museum Letter.

A single application of Roman Eye Balsam upon going to bed will prove its merit by morning. Effective for Inflammations of the Eyes, external and internal. Adv.

A Bold Statesman.

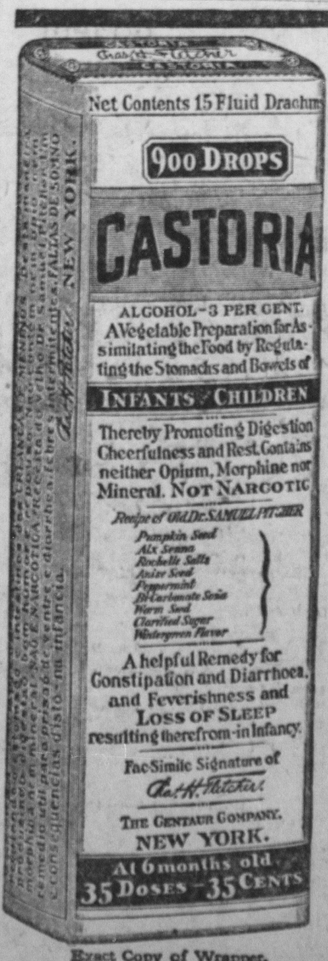
"I must say that your congressman seems to have the courage of his convictions."

"How is that?"

"He dares to speak a good word now and then for the capitalists of this country."

Pleasure before duty means that duty will lose out.

Grafters oft break in where burglars fear to trend.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THE CENTRE REPORTER.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1916

REBERSBURG

Rev. Honsicker spent last week at Zeiglerville with his family.

Elmer Hubler is just recovering from a severe attack of tonsilitis.

Mrs. Kate Fuller, of Maple Park, Ill., is circulating among relatives in this valley.

Elmer Bierly has placed his shingle mill at Smullton where he will operate this winter.

There are still a few parties in our town who have the auto fever. Would some agent come at once and administer to their wants?

Wes Hackenburg just returned in time so that he could have the good luck to shoot a fine 4-pronged buck. He is tickeled from head to foot.

William Houtz and wife of Hinkley, Ill., after visiting a week in this vicinity returned to their western home on Monday.

James P. Frank, who spent the past three months at Philipsburg at the home of his son Orvis, has returned to this place to spend Christmas with his many friends.

Don't miss the Christmas entertainments to be held at this place on Christmas eve and on Christmas evening. Much preparation has been put on the programs.

The Rebersburg hunters returned on Saturday from their two weeks hunt and brought with them six fine bucks as their reward. All of the boys look hale and hearty with the exception of John Hubler who had a severe attack of buck fever and which at a time was thought would prove fatal.

Edwin Greninger, who will quit farming this spring, quite recently sold at private sale all his stock and farm implements to Charles Gephart, who will begin farming on the farm Greninger vacates. Rumor has it that Mr. Greninger has rented part of Mrs. Kessler's dwelling house and will move to Rebersburg next spring.

Pine Grove Mills.

There are four mid-winter weddings on the slate in this section.

W. M. and Matthew Goheen, of Boalsburg, were here on Friday in quest of stock hogs.

Farmer Athan Peters and family sledded up from Oak Hall on Thursday and spent the day with relatives.

Mrs. S. E. Ward, who has been holding down an easy chair, nursing a sore knee, is some better.

Among the new arrivals last week was a little girl at the William Sunday home.

Wilbur F. Cleaver, editor of the College Times, is arranging to spend the holiday season among his old chums at the National capital.

The butchering season is about over. Hamil Goheen has the belt for the best pen of four fifteen months old Durocs that tipped the beam at the 440 notch.

The three-link fraternity with their families, will hold a banquet in their hall on Friday evening, December 29, celebrating the seventieth anniversary of their organization.

W. E. McWilliams, the R. F. D. man, is housed up, suffering a partial stroke of paralysis. He has been granted a three-months vacation to recuperate his health. Charles Gates is serving the patrons on the route at present.

Nightly meetings are being held, drilling the youngsters for Christmas exercises to be held in the Pine Hall Lutheran church Christmas eve and in the Reformed church on Saturday evening, December 23; in the Lutheran church here on Christmas evening.

Away from Kansas City, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Ed. H. Grapp announce the arrival of a nine pound girl, on Dec. 6th. Mrs. Grapp, before her marriage, was Sara Kepler. The proud father is a Penn State graduate, class of 1914, and is making good in the west.

Saturday morning an effort was made to break into the home of Postmaster David Barr. It was just at break of day when Mrs. J. W. Kepler, who lives across the way, saw some one attempt to force an entrance in a window about ten feet from the ground. The would-be robber had almost gotten through when he was evidently frightened, and leaving his job unfinished, took to the woods. A few mornings previous an effort was made to gain entrance to the A. G. Heverly store, but was frustrated.

FRUITTOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Weaver made a business trip to Burnham one day last week.

Frank Philips left on Sunday for Altoona where he will seek employment for the remainder of the winter.

Rush Dippery returned to his work at Burnham after spending two weeks with his family at this place.

Mrs. W. J. Copenhaver and daughter are spending a few weeks at the T. J. Fleisher home.

Anna Fohringer returned home one day last week after spending several months with friends in Northumberland.

Pennsylvania orchards this year produced as many apples as Oregon, Washington and California combined. This State has jumped from fourth to second place in apple production.

STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

Pennsylvania ranks seventh among the tobscco producing States this year.

It is estimated that thirty per cent. of Pennsylvania potato crop is usually shipped out of the counties where grown.

The estimated average production of honey per colony of bees in this State during the past season was 54 pounds as compared with 34 pounds last year.

The average weight per bushel of wheat, oats and barley are much lower than last year and are below general average.

Pennsylvania still retains its rank as the leading buckwheat State despite the decrease of over a million bushels in production this year.

Estimates place the production of sweet potatoes in Pennsylvania last season at 100,000 bushels. North Carolina is the chief sweet potato producing State.

The estimated consumption of flour equals 5.3 bushels of wheat per person a year, and on this basis the Pennsylvania crop this year was 25,568,000 bushels short of meeting the requirements of the inhabitants of the State.

Estimates show that about 18 per cent. of the potato crop of the State is harvested in August, 39 per cent. in September, and 32 per cent. in October. Small harvests are made in July and November.

Pennsylvania has jumped into third place as a potato producing State, being excelled by only Maine and New York. Last year its rank was sixth, Minnesota, Wisconsin Maine, New York, and Michigan leading.

Potters Mills

The Potters Mills deer hunters, led by Roy Smith, shot more bucks than any other camp in Centre county. Seven was their number.

Roy Smith missed but one day, he giving the party good luck by shooting the deer the first day, just over the mountain from Richard Thomas' farm.

The Regulars that camped three miles away from the boys, and who are old reliable hunters, have only succeeded in killing two deer.

The Pot Hunting Gang, of Potters Mills, consisting of two young men, hunted the Seven Mountains from the Mifflin county line to Boalsburg and failed to see any deer at all. Edward Laughner is president of the hunters. He felt very sick when he heard of the boys of the R. A. M. party killing 7 bucks.

Better Drown the Rats.

From the Altoona Tribune

The election of Representative Baldwin to the speakership of the Pennsylvania house of representatives would be a deliberate insult to every citizen who stands for the better and the higher things of life; it would put a millstone around the neck of the Republican party of Pennsylvania.

No paper next week.

Centre County Y. W. C. A. Notes.

A free traveling library from the State Library Department at Harrisburg has been secured by the Snow Shoe Branch, and placed in "Community Hall" for use of the general public. Mrs. S. M. Robison is the librarian.

A physical standard contest, open to all girls and young women of the county, will be conducted in January or February. A banner is to be presented to the club or organization on having the highest score. Any S. S. class, day school, etc., may compete. Recognition will also be given for the highest individual score. Watch the papers for fuller announcement.

Are you learning the poems as they come out, or clipping them for future reference? All who read the books and learn the poem will receive a national certificate. Get in line. Here is the rest of the poem that was published in part last week:

THE HOUSE BY SIDE OF THE ROAD,
(continued)

I know there are brook gladdened meadows ahead,
And mountians of wearisome height;
That the road passes on through the long afternoon
And stretches away to the night.
And still I rejoice when the travelers rejoice.
And weep with the strangers that moan,
Nor live in my house by the side of the road
Like a man who dwells alone.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road,
Where the race of men go by—
They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,
Wise, foolish—so am I.
Then why should I sit in the scorner's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban?
Let me live in my house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man,

—Sam Walter Foss.

The "Dolly Dimple" Club at Oak Hall is making scrap-books to send to a Hospital for Christmas.

Everybody! Come to the annual meeting of the Centre County Y. W. C. A. in Bellefonte, Saturday, January 13th.

Four prisoners made their escape from the Mifflin county jail, one night last week. This is the fourth time prisoners broke from castle Van Zandt during the past two years. Two of them were captured.

BEWARE OF sudden colds. Take—

HILL'S CASCARA QUININE BROMIDE

The old family remedy—in tablet form—safe, sure, easy to take. No opiates—no unpleasant after effects. Cures colds in 24 hours—Grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red Top and Mr. Hill's picture on it—25 cents.

At Any Drug Store

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE—Letters testamentary on the estate of Samuel Floray, late of Potter township, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been duly granted to the undersigned, he would respectfully request any persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

F. P. FLORAY,
Executor.

46 o.1 p'd.

AUDITORS' STATEMENT

Of the Receipts and Expenditures of

POTTER TOWNSHIP

For the Year Ending December 1, 1916

JOHN FORTNEY COLLECTOR OF ROAD TAX

	DR.	
To Balance of 1915		$ 842 76—$ 842 76
1916	CR.	
Feb 5 By cash to S C Brungart	$ 273 19	
May 9 By cash to S C Brungart	152 29	
May 25 By cash to S C Brungart	77 96	
Jun 13 By cash to S C Brungart	52 82	
Sept 6 By cash to S C Brungart	25 52	
Oct 3 By cash to S C Brungart	61 30	
Nov 3 By cash to S C Brungart	27 16	
Dec 4 By cash to S C Brungart	72 79	
5 per ct. com. on $782 13	39 11	
Exonerations	7 72	
Rebate for water trough of Earnest Treaster	2 50	
Balance	50 40—$ 842 76	

JOHN FORTNEY, COLLECTOR OF POOR TAX

	DR.	
1915		
Dec 6 To balance		$ 547 09
5 per ct. on $274 55 uncollected		13 73—$ 560 82
1916	CR.	
Feb 5 By cash to Jas M Moyer	258 91	
5 per ct com. on $272 54	13 63	
Aug 16 By cash to Jas M Moyer	153 14	
Oct 3 By cash to Jas M Moyer	37 14	
Nov 3 By cash to Jas M Moyer	7 05	
Dec 4 By cash to Jas M Moyer	74 02	
5 per ct. com. on $285 63	14 28	
Exonerations	2 65—$ 560 82	

JOHN FORTNEY, COLLECTOR OF ROAD TAX

	DR.	
1916		
To amount of duplicate		$4356 84
5 per ct. on $704 99 uncollected		35 25—$4392 09
1916	CR.	
May 25 By cash to S C Brungart	423 21	
June 1 By cash to S C Brungart	2474 66	
Jun 13 By cash to S C Brungart	80 58	
5 per ct. abatement on $3199 15	159 96	
2 per ct. com. on $8089 23	60 78	
Sept 6 By cash to S C Brungart	16 31	
Oct 3 By cash to S C Brungart	381 96	
5 per ct. com. on $419 23	20 96	
Rebate on water troughs	15 00	
Printing and Postage	8 54	
Exonerations	9 89	
Nov 3 Cash to S C Brungart	127 18	
Dec 4 Cash to S C Brungart	14 58	
5 per ct com. on $149 22	7 46	
Balance	591 02—$4392 09	

JOHN FORTNEY, COLLECTOR OF POOR TAX

	DR.	
1916		
To amount of duplicate		$1802 55—$1802 55
1916	CR.	
Oct 5 By cash to Jas M Moyer	945 10	
Nov 3 By cash to Jas M Moyer	325 48	
5 per ct. abatement on $1364 75	68 24	
2 per ct. com. on $1296 51	25 93	
Dec 4 By cash to Jas M Moyer	32 30	
5 per ct. com. on $34 00	1 70	
Printing and postage	1 58	
Exonerations	3 00	
Balance	399 42—$1802 55	

WM. C. FARNER, OVERSEER OF POOR

	DR.	
1915		
Dec 6 Balance		$1466 01—$1456 01
1916	CR	
Dec 4 By support of—		
Eliza Jordan	138 62	
Lucy Jordan	2 80	
George Shepherd	134 48	
Harvey Royer	139 63	
Sallie Lingle	131 25	
John Weaver & med. expenses	79 90	
J R G Allison med. expenses for 1915	25 00	
H A Braucht medical expences	5 52	
Henry Rossman balance on coffin for Mrs. James Norris	8 00	
Henry Rossman & Emmet Jordan burial expenses of Sallie Lingle	34 00	
Stationary	85	
Services	47 50	
Balance	708 46—$1456 01	

JAMES M. MOYER, OVERSEER OF POOR

	DR.	
1915		
Dec 6 Balance		$ 89 80
1915 Dec 23 By cash of John D Miller	31 48	
1916		
Feb 5 By cash of John Fortney	258 91	
Aug 16 By cash of same	153 14	
Oct 3 By cash of same	982 24	
Nov 3 By cash of same	332 52	
Dec 4 By cash of same	106 34—$1954 44	

By Support of—	CR.	
John Campbell	$ 145 91	
J hn Auman	179 61	
John and George Treaster	196 48	
Mrs. John Close	177 00	
Mary Decker	12 00	
Clayton Crotzer and family	25 04	
Casket for Mary Decker	28 00	
Digging grave for Mary Decker	5 00	
W R Neff, making duplicate	5 00	
H S Braucht, medical services	58 00	
J R G Allison, same	69 25	
Geo Lee, same	4 65	
Services	47 50	
Cash paid audit	25 00	
Balance	996 00—$1954 44	

S. C. BRUNGART, TREASURER OF BOARD OF ROAD SUPERVISORS

	DR.	
Dec 5, 1916		
Dec 8 1915 Balance		$ 713 11
Jan 6 1915 Rec'd from D. K. Keller, crusher hire	2 75	
Feb 7, 1915 Rec'd from J. B. Fortney (1915 tax)	273 19	
April 6 Liquor license	114 00	
May 6 Sale of culvert pipe to Centre Hall boro	19 80	
May 11 Tax rec'd from J. B. Fortney, 1915 tax	152 29	
May 26 Tax rec'd from same, 1915 tax	77 96	
May 26 Tax rec'd from same, 1916 tax	423 21	
June 1 Tax rec'd from same, 1916 tax	2474 66	
June 13 Tax rec'd from same, 1916 tax	133 40	
Aug 5 Sale of culvert pipe	16 00	
Sept. 7 Tax rec'd from J. B. Fortney, 1915 tax	25 52	
Sept 7 Tax rec'd from same, 1916 tax	16 31	
Oct 5 Tax rec'd from same, 1916 tax	381 96	
Oct 5 Tax rec'd from same 1915 tax	61 30	
Oct 7 Rec'd from State Highway Dept for use of machinery	105 00	
Oct 7 Rec'd from Robert Smith for stone crushing	10 00	
Nov. 4 Rec'd from J. B. Fortney, 1915 tax	27 16	
Nov. 4 Rec'd from J. B. Fortney, 1916 tax	127 18	
Nov 4 Cash tax bonus	833 50	
Nov 24 Forestry warrant No. 1	151 96	
Dec 4 Rec'd from J B Fortney, 1916 tax	14 58	
Dec 4 Rec'd from J B Fortney, 1915 tax	72 79—$6228 63	

S. C. BRUNGART, TREASURER OF BOARD OF ROAD SUPERVISORS.

	CR.	
By Sundry orders	$5339 82	
Balance	888 81—$6228 63	

IRA AUMAN, SUPERVISOR.

Dec 5, 1916		
Repair or maintenance of earth roads	$ 121 56	
Wages of Roadmasters	108 81	
Removing snow or other obstructions	105 00	
Opening or building new road	35 70	
Repair of tools	1 55	
Reimbursement of road reported by P C Frank	4 00—$ 376 62	

FRANK BOGDAN, SUPERVISOR

Dec 5		
Repair or maintenance of earth roads, including sluices	$ 332 63	
Wages of Roadmaster	136 52	
Opening of new road	71 85	
Permanent improvements	255 15	
Repair of tools or machinery	8 08	
New tools or machinery	1 10	
Advertising	5 80	
Coal bill	16 01	
Oil bill	2 55—$ 829 69	

W. A. JORDAN, SUPERVISOR.

Dec 5		
Wages of Roadmaster	$ 179 15	
Repair or maintenance of earth roads, including sluices	702 29	
Removing snow or other obstructions	54 77	
Repair of tools	16 13	
Freight bills	40 56	
New tools on machinery	18 90	
New culvert and sluices	46 50	
Permanent improvements on roads	142 18	
Compensation insurance	36 42	
Making duplicate and book	6 35	
Secretary's supplies	2 90	
Building lumber	45 00	
Coal and oil	61 22	
Justice expenses	25—$1252 82	

JOHN KUHN, SUPERVISOR

Dec 5		
Wages of Road Master	$ 238 29	
Repair or maintenance of earth roads, including sluices	221 85	
Permanent improvement	453 66	
Removing snow or other obstruct ons	65 03	
Repairing tools for machinery	12 91	
Freight	4 60	
New tools	1 90	
Attorney's fees	10 00	
Room rent	6 00—$1008 24	

JAMES SPANGLER, TREASURER OF AUDIT.

	DR.	
1915		
Dec 7 Balance		$ 19 23
Dec 4, 1916 By Cash of James Moyer, Overseer Poor	25 00—$ 35 23	
1916	CR.	
Dec 4 Auditors fees	$ 6 00	
Dec 5 Auditors fees	6 00	
Dec 5 Room rent	2 00	
Stationery	10	
Printing statements & postage	8 90	
Balance	12 23—$ 35 23	

We, the undersigned auditors of Potter township, have examined the above accounts and certify to the correctness of the same.

JOHN E. RISHEL,
J. B. SPANGLER,
JOHN H. RUNKLE,
Auditors.

December 1, 1916

ALWAYS A SIGN OF DEATH

Flag at "Half-Staff" Sure Indication That the Dread Visitor Has Been There.

Nearly every one speaks of a flag, when being flown at a distance from the top of the pole, as at "half-mast." This is not the correct expression. Such flags are at "half-staff" because they are flown in this manner whether on land or sea from the flag staff.

To see a flag at half-staff means death. It may mean, on an incoming ship, that one of the passengers or crew died at sea. Many a little fishing vessel comes into Gloucester and T wharf in Boston every season with a flag at half-staff, and this means one of the fishermen, or more, has met death, generally being swept overboard.

This custom of flying flags at half-staff originated first as a token of defeat. That is, when an army was defeated, its flag was lowered down the staff to give room for the victorious army to place its flag above that of the defeated army.

From this the custom grew into flying the flag at half-staff when an officer, army or navy, died. Later it was adopted by civilians as well, and today, when a man of prominence dies, regardless of whether he was sailor, soldier, or civilian, the flags are hung at half-staff. Whereas, in the olden days, when the custom started, the upper space was left to indicate that the victor could put his flag there, now it seems that death is the victor, and so the space is left. It is, of course, a mark of respect to the dead person to have flags at half-staff for him.

Santa Claus Says:

You Must Hurry!

Hurry! Hurry!

It is almost Christmas! You hadn't realized it, had you? Old Santa Claus will soon be here making his annual distribution of presents, and he, wants everybody to be prepared to help him.

We are prepared, and are proud to announce to our customers that we are prepared in a 100 per cent. complete way to cater to their Christmas needs. Be sure you see our goods before you make any definite arrangements for your Christmas supply.

GIFTS for all the family
—at prices to please.

Candy plays a prominent part
at this time. We have tt—plenty of it—at prices to please.

We especially cater to TEACHERS for school treats.

Oranges, Bananas, Nuts, Oysters, etc.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

C. W. SWARTZ
TUSSEYVILLE

Give Furniture
for CHRISTMAS
And feel sure you have made no mistake.

From this list you can supply Mother, Father, Sister, Brother, or Sweetheart with gifts that will be truly appreciated for years to come.

Couches Davenports Rugs
Kitchen Cabinets Rockers
Pictures In Oval and Square Frames
Flashlights An Ideal Gift for Man or Boy
Sweepers Bissels and Vacuum
Grand Buffets
Sewing Machines TABOURETTES Library Tables
Turkish Rockers In Leather—Big and Massive Sure to Please "Father"

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